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Journal of the Louisiana Conference.

FIRST DAY—WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 1916.

Convening.—The Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, convened in its seventy-first annual session at 9 a. m., Wednesday, November 22, 1916, in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Bishop E. E. Hoss in the chair.

Opening Service.—The opening service was conducted by the Bishop and consisted of singing Hymn 355—

“Love divine, all love excelling,”

prayer; singing Hymn 106,

“O Worship the King,”

reading from Mathew 7:1, ff., and address thereon by the Bishop; singing Hymns 492—

“O for a closer walk with God,”

and 617.

“On Jordan’s stormy banks I stand.”

Calling the Roll.—The Roll was called by the Secretary of the preceding session and the following members, probationers and lay delegates answered to their names. (For Roll see appendix.)

Clerical.—Robert Randle, J. M. Brown, R. S. Isbell, J. D. Harper, S. J. Davies, H. J. Boltz, J. O. Bennett, J. I. Hoffpauir, H. S. Johns, H. W. May, F. S. Parker, W. F. Henderson, W. J. Porter, J. B. Williams, J. H. Brown, J. F. Foster, J. J. Kelly, C. F. Staples, William Schuhle, W. W. Drake, J. M. Henry, B. T. Crews, B. H. Sheppard, R. W. Tucker, P. M. Brown, R. H. Wynn, J. W. Lee, C. C. Miller, R. W. Vaughan, Thomas Carter, A. W. Turner, C. C. Wier, P. O. Lowrey, K. W. Dodson, F. N. Sweeney, A. J. Coburn, G. D. Purcell, W. R. Harvell, Briscoe Carter, C. D. Atkinson, H. N. Brown, J. G. Sloan, J. R. Roy, L. C. Wilson, T. J. Warlick, E. K. Means, H. W. Bowman, J. F. Waltman, E. L. Cargill, W. D. Kleinschmidt, L. N. Hoffpauir, S. D. Howard, H. B. Carré, S. L. Riggs, W. H. Coleman, J. D. Nesom, J. S. Rutledge, F. M. Freeman, W. W. Holmes, Felix R. Hill, A. F. Vaughan, A. S. Lutz, H. T. Carley, A. I. Townsley, H. N. Harrison, J. W. Booth, T. J. Holladay, J. B. Fulton, R. H. Harper, J. M. Alford, W. L. Doss, Jr., John Sholars, I. T. Reames, H. W. Ledbetter, V. D. Skipper, J. C. Price, S. S. Holladay, C. B. Powell, A. J. Bonnett, C. V. Breithaupt, F. J. McCoy, C. A. Battle, T. D. Lipscomb, Wm. E. Akin, A. J. Gearheard, S. H. Werlein, J. T. Sawyer, J. A. McCormack, R. S. Walton, J. G. Snelling, H. T. Young, R. H. Bamberg, L. E. Crooks, H. B. Perritt, A. H. Parker, F. R. Power, H. W. Cudd, W. J. Newsom, J. C. Rousseaux, J. A. Alford, J. W. Faulk, G. D. Anders, T. H. Morris, W. W. Perry, G. P. White, R. M. Brown, George Fox, T. J. Embree, O. L. Tucker, J. H. Hoffpauir, W. T. Woodward, W. S. Henry, W. E. Thomas, R. V. Fulton, Louis Hoffpauir, S. D. Eoberts, A. A. Bernard, G. S. Sexton, W. A. Mangham, C. E. Fike, J. L. Cady, H. B. Thomason, J. L. Williams, I. T. Beck, G. V. Romano, W. F. Henderson, Jr., Thomas L. Bryson.

On Trial.—A. D. George, W. R. McPherson, J. L. Evans, A. L. Harper, F. B. Hill, R. W. Smith.

Lay Delegates.—Alexandria District, A. W. Bryson; Baton Rouge District, (Rev.) H. C. Murphy, I. D. Wall; Lafayette District, R. E. Brumby; Monroe District, R. O. Randle; New Orleans District, B. D. Talley, Charles O. Chalmers; Ruston District, P. K. Abel, (Rev.) J. F. Dring; Shreveport District, A. J. Scott, J. M. Middleton. (For Roll see appendix.)

Substitutions.—The following substitutions were made: Lafayette District, (Rev.) C. F. Starnes, present, in place of H. G. Gilbert; Monroe District, W. R. Baker, present, in place of W. M. Hunt; New Orleans District, H. H. Ahrens, present, in place of W. E. Thomsen.

Election of Secretaries.—F. S. Parker was elected Secretary; Thomas Carter and John F. Foster were elected Assistant Secretaries.

On nomination of the Secretary R. W. Vaughan was elected Statistical Secretary and H. W. Cudd, C. V. Breithaupt, and H. T. Young, were elected Assistants to the Statistical Secretary.

Resolutions on Editors of Statistical Reports.—The following resolution was passed on motion of R. W. Vaughan.

Be it Resolved, That on nomination of the Statistical Secretary, an editor of statistical reports for each District be elected, whose duty it shall be to correct errors if any in form and additions of figures so that the reports may be entered without delay by the Statistical Secretaries.

Be it further Resolved, That every pastor be urged to have his statistical reports in the hands of the Statistical Secretary; by the end of the first day of the Conference Session; and that any brother failing to comply with this rule be publicly called upon for his report.

Be it further Resolved, That the rule requiring reports to be filed by the close of the second day be hereby rescinded.

Editors of Statistical Tables.—In accordance with the foregoing resolutions the following editors of statistical tables were elected:

Alexandria District—W. W. Perry.

Baton Rouge District—H. T. Young.

Lafayette District—C. E. Fike.

Monroe District—H. W. Ledbetter.

New Orleans District—H. B. Carré.

Ruston District—W. L. Doss, Jr.

Shreveport District—J. Cude Rousseaux.

Hours of Meeting and Adjournment.—On motion of C. A. Battle the hour of meeting was made 9 a. m., and that of adjournment, 12 noon.

Bar of Conference.—On motion of C. A. Battle the bar of the Conference was made the auditorium, exclusive of the gallery.

Standing Committees.—W. W. Holmes for the Presiding Elders announced the following nominations for Standing Committees, and the nominations were confirmed by the Conference:

Committee on Conference Relations—J. B. Williams, William Schuhle, J. F. Foster, W. D. Kleinschmidt, B. H. Sheppard, R. M. Brown, H. N. Harrison.

Committee on Memoirs—J. D. Harper.

Committee on Public Worship—H. W. Bowman, C. A. Battle, W. S. Holmes.

Committee on District Conference Records—J. C. Rousseaux, L. C. Wilson, W. W. Perry, A. J. Gearheard, C. E. Fike, J. W. Lee, W. H. Coleman.

Committee on Church Publications—R. H. Harper, S. J. Davies, E. K. Means.

Committee on Sabbath Observance—George S. Sexton, C. C. Wier, W. E. Thomas, H. T. Young, S. L. Riggs, W. L. Doss, George Fox.

Committee on Temperance—S. H. Werlein, J. M. Alford, A. W. Turner, N. R. Grigsby, Crow Girard, O. E. Townsend, W. R. Baker.

Board of Lay Activities—W. S. Holmes, chairman; T. W. Holloman, Van Carter, W. M. Spinks, R. O. Randle, W. H. Moore, L. L. Upton, S. H. Porter.

Substitutions and Additions to the Committee on Admissions.—The following substitutions and additions were made to the Committee on Admissions: J. F. Foster vice

W. W. Holmes; J. O. Bennett vice P. H. Fontaine; A. G. Shankle vice A. S. Lutz; J. D. Harper, J. D. Harper whose name has been left off by mistake.

Communications.—Communications were received and referred as follows:

From the Board of Trustees, to the Joint Board of Finance.

From the Board of Education, to the Conference Board of Education.

From the Board of Church Extension, to the Conference Board of Church Extension.

From the Sunday School Board, to the Conference Sunday School Board.

From the Correspondence School, to the Conference Board of Education.

From the American Bible Society, to the Bible Society Board.

From the Epworth League Board, to the Conference Epworth League Board.

From the Publishing House, to the Committee on Books and Periodicals.

The Report of the President of Centenary College, to the Conference Board of Education.

The Report of the Superintendent of the Orphanage, to the Orphan's Home Board.

The Report of Southern Methodist University, to the Conference Board of Education.

Announcements.—H. N. Brown made an announcement on reporting the Sunday School assessment and W. W. Drake made an announcement on reporting the Education assessments.

Introductions.—The following brethren were presented to the Conference: Dr. W. F. McMurry, Secretary of the Board of Church Extension; the Rev. Prof. H. M. Whaling, professor in the Southern Methodist University; Mr. Frank Reedy, Secretary and Treasurer of the Southern Methodist University; the Rev. George A. Thompson and the Rev. C. W. Crisler of the Mississippi Conference, and the Rev. Robert Shuler of the West Texas Conference.

Ministerial Character.—Question 22 was called: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administrations?

The name of C. M. Thompson was called and his character passed. On motion his name was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation.

The name of George D. Anders was called and his character was passed. There being no motion in his case he became effective.

The name of P. H. Fontaine was called; his character was passed. On motion his name was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation.

The names of R. S. Isbell, J. F. Wynn, F. G. Hocutt, M. G. Jenkins (a letter from him being read), J. H. Brown, J. L. P. Sheppard, H. Armstrong, J. F. Patterson (a letter being read from him), T. S. Randle, R. A. Davis, John T. Sawyer, and F. N. Sweeney, were called, their characters passed and these brethren were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the Superannuate relation.

The name of J. A. Parker, who had died during the year, was called, and by a rising vote his name was referred to the Committee on Memoirs.

The names of Leon I. McCain and Charles F. Staples were called. These brethren were reported in good health, and no motion being made in their case, they became effective.

The name of H. J. Boltz was called, his character was passed. On his own motion his name was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the superannuate relation.

The names were called and the characters passed of the following brethren: Harry W. May, H. W. Bowman, J. Ivy Hoffpauir, Albert S. Lutz, W. W. Holmes, Briscoe

Carter, and Charles D. Atkinson. These brethren made reports of the work of the several districts.

A letter received by the Secretary of the Conference, F. S. Parker, relating to the administration of H. W. Bowman was presented to the Conference, and on motion of F. S. Parker it was not received.

The name of Felix R. Hill was called, his character was passed, and, after appropriate remarks, his name at his own request was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations for the supernumerary relation.

Greetings to other Church Bodies.—R. H. Wynn moved that the Secretary of the Conference be instructed to send telegrams of brotherly greeting to the Baptist Convention now in session at Mansfield, the Presbyterian Synod at New Orleans, and the Christian Convention at Alexandria. The motion prevailed.

Telegram to the family of Bishop Wilson.—On motion of George S. Sexton the Secretary of the Conference was instructed to send a telegram of condolence to the family of Bishop A. W. Wilson recently deceased.

Ministerial Character.—Question 22 was called: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The names of the following brethren were called; they reported their works and their characters were passed: O. J. Chandler (transferred to the Kentucky Conference), R. S. Walton, I. T. Beck, W. W. Perry, J. M. Alford, H. B. Perritt, E. L. Cargill, W. S. Henry, Robert Randle, J. O. Bennett, Ben H. Sheppard, J. W. Booth, Paul M. Brown, F. M. Freeman, Jacob D. Harper, L. E. Crooks, A. J. Bonnett, S. L. Riggs, W. H. Coleman, J. W. Faulk, and H. B. Vandenburg.

Entertainment.—Dr. McVea for the Committee on Entertainment made announcements placing sixty automobiles at the service of the members of the Conference and inviting the Conference to-morrow afternoon to a trip to the Standard Oil plant, the Poplar Grove Plantation, and other places of interest. Visitor's cards for the Elk's Lodge and the Country Club were also presented to members of the Conference.

On motion of James M. Henry, the invitations for to-morrow afternoon were accepted with thanks.

Substitution.—On nomination of James M. Henry, W. L. Doss, Jr., was put on the Board of Education in place of Albert S. Lutz.

Bishop Hoss announced that to-morrow at 10:30 a. m., he would receive the class into Full Connection.

By rule the Conference adjourned after the doxology and benediction by John F. Foster.

SECOND DAY.

Convening.—Conference convened according to rule at 9 a. m., in second day's session, Thursday, November 23, 1916, Bishop Hoss in the chair.

Devotional Service.—The opening service was conducted by the Bishop and consisted of singing Hymn 393—

"Am I a soldier of the cross?"

prayer led by Fitzgerald S. Parker, singing Hymn 1—

"O for a thousand tongues to sing,"

the reading of Hebrews 7:28 with comments.

Approval of Minutes.—The minutes of the previous day's session were read and approved.

Attendance.—The roll of those who had not answered to their names yesterday was called showing the following in attendance:

Clerical—D. C. Barr, Franklin N. Parker, Samuel S. Bogan, Martin Hebert, John L. Sutton, A. G. Shankle, C. M. Morris, Leon I. McCain, A. J. Gearheard, Gustave A. Morgan, H. E. Vandenburg, Hugh W. Jamieson.

On Trial—Ben H. Andrews, J. L. Lay, A. C. Searcy.

Lay Delegates—Alexandria District, Noel Norwood, R. R. Reddett; Baton Rouge District, O. E. Townsend; New Orleans District, Sam H. Meyer; Shreveport District, J. C. Foster.

Substitutions.—A Percy Holt, alternate was put in place of W. B. Williamson, lay delegate from the Lafayette District and his attendance noted.

Calling of Roll Dispensed with.—By consent the further calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Seashore Divinity School.—The Rev. C. W. Crisler, President of the Seashore Divinity School, made an address outlining the work of the school and inviting the co-operation of the Conference for the coming year.

H. W. Bowman Personal.—H. W. Bowman rose to a question of personal privilege and asked that the letter taking exception to his administration and declined by the Conference be read. It was suggested by the Bishop that there was no occasion for Brother Bowman's giving himself any concern about the matter, and as there was no question of character involved the question was thus disposed of.

Election of Travelling Deacons.—Question 10 was called: What travelling preachers are elected Deacons?

The name of William Ransom McPhearson was called, the Committees of Examination for the first and second years reporting that he had passed both examinations, his character was passed, he was advanced to the class of the third year and he was elected to Deacon's orders.

The names of James Lambuth Evans and Albert Dean George were called and the committee of examination for the second year reporting favorably their characters were passed and they were advanced to the class of the third year and elected to Deacon's orders.

Full Connection.—Question 4 was called: Who are admitted into full connection?

William Ransom McPhearson, James Lambuth Evans, and Albert Dean George reported their works, they were called to the chancel, addressed by the Bishop, and after having given satisfactory answers to the Disciplinary questions, the committee on admission recommending, they were, by vote of the Conference, admitted into full connection.

Report Number 1 of the Board of Education.—W. W. Drake presented Report Number 1 of the Board of Education.

Pending the adoption of the Report of the Board of Education Dr. Stonewall Anderson, Secretary of the General Board of Education, was introduced and addressed the Conference. Prof. H. Moreland Whaling and Mr. Frank Reedy, Secretary-Treasurer of Southern Methodist University, and President R. E. Bobbitt of Mansfield College, also addressed the Conference.

Extension of Time.—The hour of adjournment having arrived, on motion of W. W. Drake, the time was extended for hearing the address of the Educational brethren.

Presentation to H. H. Ahrens.—With some felicitous remarks by the Bishop a gold mounted fountain pen was presented to Mr. Henry H. Ahrens, who has reported the proceedings of the Louisiana Conference for twenty-five years. Mr. Ahrens responded in well chosen words.

Substitutions on Board of Church Extension.—On nomination of K. W. Dodson, William Schuble in place of C. D. Atkinson, and E. K. Means in place of F. R. Hill, Jr., were placed on the Board of Church Extension.

Adjournment.—Announcements were made and Conference adjourned with the singing of the doxology and the benediction by the Bishop.

THIRD DAY.

Convening.—According to rule Conference convened in third day's session Friday, November 24, 1916, at 9 a. m., Bishop Hoss in the chair.

Opening Service.—The opening devotional service was conducted by the Bishop and consisted of singing Hymn 312—

"Oh Happy Day!"

prayer led by Jacob D. Harper, singing Hymn 313—

"Oh Thou who comest from above!"

and the reading of Ephesian 1:15ff., and comments by the Bishop.

Minutes Approved.—The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

Presentation to Bishop Hoss.—At this juncture in the proceedings a silver tray was presented to the presiding Bishop as a souvenir of his forty-fourth wedding anniversary. The presentation was made by Fitzgerald S. Parker, and the Bishop responded in grateful and felicitous word.

Greetings from Ecclesiastical Bodies.—Telegrams of response and greeting were were received and read from the Baptist Convention, in session at Mansfield, the Christian Convention at Alexandria, and the Presbyterian Synod of Louisiana now in session at New Orleans, as follows:

Mansfield, La., November 23, 1916.

John F. Foster

Assistant Secretary Louisiana Annual Conference Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The Louisiana Baptist State Convention in Annual Session reciprocates your fraternal greetings, Acts, 20-32.
C. P. RONEY, Secretary.

Alexandria, La., November 23, 1916.

Secretary Louisiana Conference Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Baton Rouge, La.

Fraternal greetings received and reciprocated in full measure of Christian fellowship. May God's richest blessings be upon your deliberations and may plans for the greatest advancement of our Master's cause in this State result therefrom.

LEON CHAVANNE.

New Orleans, La., November 23, 1916.

John F. Foster,

Assistant Secretary Louisiana Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The Synod of Louisiana of the Presbyterian Church, United States in session at New Orleans receives with gratitude the greetings and good wishes of your body. The co-operation of our Churches has always been productive of mutual benefit; we therefore express the hope that these co-operation efforts may be increased and we send most cordial greetings to your body praying that God's blessing may be upon its sessions.

LOUIS VOSS, Stated Clerk.

Adoption of Report Number 1 of the Board of Education.—The consideration of Report number 1 of the Board of Education, pending at adjournment yesterday, was resumed and Robert H. Wynn, President of Centenary College, W. Winans Drake, Conference Secretary of Education, Robert Randle, James M. Henry, President of the Conference Board of Education, K. W. Dodson, R. William Tucker, and Bishop Hoss addressed the Conference. The report was then adopted as follows:

REPORT NUMBER 1 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Your Board of Education is charged with the special care of an interest of the church which is not less sacred and important than any of the other great missionary or benevolent causes which are fostered by her. While it may not appeal as directly to the sympathies of our people, as do some other claims, the cause of Christian Education is vitally bound up with every interest of the church, because it is essential in the training of efficient leadership in the work of the church, both in evangelistic and missionary endeavor, and in the development of its benevolent enterprises. It is increas-

ingly evident to thoughtful leaders in Education as well as in the church, that the effort of the church is needed in the educational system of the country in emphasizing the Christian element in all periods of educational life. It is almost self-evident that the church which will mould the future in any state or section is the church which educates its young people with proper emphasis on the fundamental Christian basis of life.

We rejoice in the progress made by our church as a whole in founding the two Universities—Emory and Southern Methodist. Since our Conference falls within the territory of the Southern Methodist University and is by Conference action represented upon its Board, we recommend to our people seeking University courses, and especially to our young ministers seeking theological training, to make use of the opportunities it offers. We congratulate the church upon the unique record of its first session in enrolling a larger number of students than any other American University has matriculated in its first session; and, upon the bright prospects for increasing success and usefulness.

We recommend that Rev. W. W. Drake be appointed Commissioner for the University in the Louisiana Conference, and that the Commissioner be authorized to raise by personal contributions, as may be possible a memorial endowment fund for its Theological School.

We regret the inability of our Board, through the pressure of our local demands, to make any appropriation at the present time toward the maintenance of the theological department.

Louisiana Methodism is face to face with the question of the church college.

It challenges us with this dilemma: Shall we depend upon other agencies or other sections of the church for the development of our leadership as a church? or shall we definitely and adequately undertake the task of providing colleges for our boys and girls sufficiently equipped and endowed to compete successfully with the state and other institutions? If we depend for the recruiting of our Ministry upon secular institutions, or other Conferences, it is certain that the supply will be uncertain and inadequate, and our whole work is bound to suffer. If we depend upon the secular institutions to furnish the leadership needed in the lay ranks of the church, we shall find that those institutions, confessedly planned to furnish leaders in the development of the state itself, its progressive teachers, farmers, engineers, politicians, can have neither the purpose nor atmosphere to train religious leaders to meet the great problems of the church. So that the whole future of our church in the state is largely dependent upon our treatment of this dilemma..

This question must be decisively answered by the one hundred and fifty preachers and thirty-six thousand members of our Church in the State—not by passing resolutions or adopting reports, but by a loyal and united support of our institutions, whose possibilities of effective service are limited only by the means and patronage which we give them. The loyalty of the public schools of the State to its higher institutions has made possible the success of those institutions, and a similar co-operation of the Church with her colleges will produce similar results. The Methodists of the State have shown in reference to other interests, that when we realize the need, there is no lack of enthusiasm or money to support a sacred cause. Our response to the challenge of Christian education must be based upon a definite conviction of its necessity and a large and generous vision of its demands.

The base line in the maintenance of our institutions and for any forward movement must be found in larger response to our regular Educational assessment. Our slogan must be the assessment in full. This would mean a large increase in the stability and efficiency of our Colleges. How far short we have come of this ideal, is seen in the fact that only eighteen charges last year paid in full and thirty-seven reported nothing paid on it. As a Conference we stand near the foot of the list of Conferences, paying about half of this claim.

CENTENARY COLLEGE.

At present our most critical problem is Centenary College, which faces many difficulties. Your Board agreed with a number of Shreveport citizens at a meeting last March to increase, subject to the action of the Conference, the amount to be paid to Centenary by the Conference from \$1600.00 to \$2500.00 annually on condition that the people of Shreveport would, by renewal of the voluntary tax, which has expired, or otherwise provide as much as \$3500.00 annually for ten years for the maintenance of the college. Under our present assessment, we will be able to meet this condition and we recommend that that agreement of the Board be confirmed by the Conference. Our

friends in Shreveport have made some progress toward the renewal of the tax, but have not been able to arrange in time for its collection this year. They have agreed to secure by other means the sum of \$2500.00 for use the present session. The funds secured by the tax or otherwise from Shreveport and the increased appropriation by the Conference, will insure for ten years the basis of maintenance to the college and give opportunity for raising funds for needed buildings and endowment which must be secured.

The report of the President, which gives the main facts as to the conditions at the College follows:

REPORT OF PRESIDENT OF CENTENARY COLLEGE.

Centenary College opened its ninth session in Shreveport with a splendid teaching force and with a high grade of students though the number who have enrolled is small. Ten ministerial students have entered, eight of whom are now in school and three of whom members of the Conference, hope to receive degrees in June. We have nine sons of preachers, including one Baptist and one Presbyterian.

A donation of (\$1000.00) one thousand dollars from Mr. C. W. Blair made possible some urgently needed improvements. Among new features an outdoor gymnasium has been installed and military drilling has been introduced. Centenary in truth furnishes a most wholesome atmosphere for boys, and I again urge preachers and laymen to do all in their power to supply the increased patronage to which we are entitled, and if possible a stable and sufficient maintenance.

Our dormitory rooms are comfortable, our table fare is wholesome, our boys are studious, contented and gentlemanly in deportment. The spirit of the institution is better than at any time since I have been in connection with it. R. H. WYNN.

MANSFIELD FEMALE COLLEGE.

Our College for girls at Mansfield is meeting with increasing success, having at present, we understand, the largest enrollment in its history, and is doing successful work. The special collection taken at the last Conference, about half of which was contributed by Mansfield citizens, enabled the Board to meet the payments that were due or overdue on the bonded indebtedness, and it is confidently hoped that the assessment will enable us to take care of all future payments.

We recommend that the General Conference Board be requested to continue its appropriation of \$1000.00 to the College.

SEASHORE DIVINITY SCHOOL.

We recognize the increasing value of the Seashore Divinity School and recommend to our preachers to attend its sessions and take advantage of its classes and lectures. Until we can see our way to make an appropriation toward its support, we recommend that the same plan be pursued as heretofore in raising at least \$150.00 for its expenses.

We realize that in reference to our Educational work, as in every phase of the Lord's business, the power that brings success in from the Lord, and we call upon our preachers and people to engage definitely in prayer that God may open the way for the enlarged success of our Educational institutions.

J. M. HENRY, Chairman.

W. W. DRAKE, Secretary.

Offering for Centenary College.—A collection was taken by Bishop Hoss for Centenary College amounting to \$2031.00 in cash and subscriptions and handed to J. M. Henry representing the Board of Education.

Attendance.—The presence of W. L. Calhoun, Lay Delegate from the Monroe District and N. E. Joyner, clerical member, was noted.

Introductions.—The Rev. J. S. Renshaw of the Memphis Conference and Mr. S. B. McLean of the American Bible Society Agency were introduced to the Conference.

Address by Mrs. Holt.—Mrs. A. P. Holt, Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Louisiana Conference, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

On motion the reports of the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Society were received and ordered to record as follows:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

Amounts received November, 1915, to November, 1916—

Alexandria District	\$1575.00
Baton Rouge District	734.63
Lafayette District	1243.25
Monroe District	899.22
New Orleans District	1702.09
Ruston District	1477.63
Shreveport District	4361.58
Special Contributions	214.34

\$12,207.84

MRS. J. J. HOLMES, Conference Treasurer.

Minden, La., November 20, 1916.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE LOUISIANA CONFERENCE.

Number of Adult Auxiliaries	101
Number of New Adult Auxiliaries	17
Number of Members of Adult Auxiliaries	2388
Number of New Members of Adult Auxiliaries	335
Number of Young People Auxiliaries	27
Number of New Young People Auxiliaries	8
Number of Members of Young People Auxiliaries	493
Number of New Members of Young People Auxiliaries	143
Number of New Junior Divisions	16
Number of Members of Junior Division	1603
Number of New Members of Junior Division	326
Number of Baby Divisions	25
Number of New Baby Divisions	7
Number of Members of Baby Divisions	227
Number of New Members of Baby Divisions	76
Life Members made this Quarter	0
Names added to the Memorial Roll this Quarter.....	0
Subscribers to Missionary Voice	907
Subscribers to Young Christian Worker	391
Number of Auxiliaries presenting Stewardship	43
Number of Scholarships	10
Number of Bible Women	6
Number of Schools supported	2
Number of Auxiliaries observing Week of Prayer this year	62
Number of Auxiliaries on Roll of Honor	31
Amount sent Conference Treasurer	\$12,208.00
Increase	2,797.00
Amount raised for local purposes	115.77

MRS. A. P. HOLT, Corresponding Secretary.

Crowley, La., November 22, 1916.

Ministerial Character.—Question 22 was called: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The names of H. T. Young, J. B. Fulton, C. A. Battle, H. W. Cudd, A. J. Coburn, J. A. McCormick, J. J. Kelly, S. S. Bogan, John Sholars, S. J. Davies, J. B. Williams, R. V. Fulton, and H. S. Johns, were called and their characters passed.

The name of George S. Sexton was called and he made report of the achievements of First Church, Shreveport, showing both financial prosperity and spiritual gains. His character was passed.

Introductions.—Rev. A. L. Dietrich, Divisional Field Secretary of the General Sunday School Board, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

Ministerial Character.—Question 22 was resumed: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The names of F. J. McCoy, A. I. Townsley, A. A. Bernard, A. F. Vaughan, iWilliam Schuhle, J. D. Nesom, J. H. Hoffpaur, C. V. Breithaupt, K. W. Dodson, C. C. Weir, H. N. Brown, Louis Hoffpaur, and Martin Hebert and M. C. Holt were called and their characters passed.

Location.—Question 18 was called: Who are located this year?

At his own request made in writing, M. C. Holt was located.

Committee of Investigation in the case of W. T. Woodward.—At his own request for an investigation of rumors touching his character the following committee of investigation in the case of W. T. Woodward was named by the Bishop:

J. M. Henry, B. H. Sheppard, A. G. Shankle.

Adjournment.—Announcements were made and after singing Hymn 180,

“All hail the power of Jesus’s Name!”

to the tune Miles Lane, the benediction was pronounced by C. A. Battle, and Conference stood adjourned by rule.

FOURTH DAY.

Convening.—According to rule Conference convened in fourth day’s session, Saturday, November 25, 1916, at 9 a. m., Bishop Hoss in the chair.

Devotional Service.—The opening devotional service consisted of prayer by Thomas Carter and singing

“The Heavens resounded”

by the Glee Club of the Louisiana State University.

Approval of Minutes.—The minutes of the previous day’s session were read and approved.

The presence of A. S. J. Neill, clerical member was noted. W. B. Williamson, lay delegate from the Lafayette District was reported present and took his seat; A. P. Holt, alternate from Lafayette District, on nomination of the Presiding Elder was put in place of Crow Girard. The presence of L. L. Upton, lay delegate from Lafayette District, H. H. White, lay delegate from the Alexandria District, and S. H. Porter, lay delegate from the Shreveport District, was noted.

The Rev. S. A. Steel was introduced as a transfer from the Upper South Carolina Conference.

Constitutional Question.—The Constitutional Question, sent down by the General Conference of 1914, whether the Conference Lay Leader and the District Lay Leaders shall be ex-officio members of the Annual Conference, was presented for consideration. The roll was called and the vote taken with the result that 131 votes were cast; for the amendment, 67; against the amendment, 64.

Transfers.—Question 6, Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? was called.

The Bishop announced the transfer of S. A. Steel from the Upper South Carolina Conference and C. F. Sheppard from the West Oklahoma Conference.

Ministerial Character.—Question 22 was resumed: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The names of O. L. Tucker, R. H. Bamberg, W. R. Harvell, T. H. Morris, H. N. Harrison, W. J. Porter, V. D. Skipper, George Fox, J. R. Roy, C. C. Miller, D. C. Barr, S. W. B. Calvin, H. W. Ledbetter, H. B. Thomason, J. F. Waltman, T. J. Warlick, R. M. Brown, N. E. Joyner, C. M. Morris, were called and their characters passed.

Board of Church Extension Excused.—The Board of Church Extension was excused by vote of the Conference.

Ministerial Character.—Question 22 was resumed: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The name of P. O. Lowrey was called and his character was passed.

Withdrawal of T. V. Peters.—The name of T. V. Peters was called, his character was passed and, as he had become a minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church, his name was dropped from the roll and he was bidden Godspeed by the brethren.

Ministerial Character.—Question 22 was resumed: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The names of S. H. Werlein, A. J. Gearheard, R. H. Harper, F. R. Hill, Jr., W. E. Thomas, G. V. Romano, G. P. White, T. J. Embree, J. S. Rutledge, J. L. Sutton, F. S. Parker, and F. N. Parker were called and their characters passed.

Announcement with reference to the Prison Reform Committee.—J. L. Sutton made announcement with reference to the Prison Reform Committee and spoke upon the general subject of work for prisoners in Louisiana.

Introduction.—The Rev. M. S. Dunning of the Christian Church was presented to the Conference.

Ministerial Character.—Question 22 was resumed: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The names of H. B. Carré, Thomas Carter, E. K. Means, W. D. Kleinschmidt, S. D. Roberts, were called and their characters passed.

The name of G. D. Purcell was called. He stated that he had retired from his work with the consent of the Presiding Elder. His character was passed.

The names of T. J. Holladay, W. L. Doss, Jr., W. E. Akin, J. G. Sloan, A. S. J. Neill, J. M. Brown, J. G. Snelling, G. A. Morgan, W. W. Drake, C. B. Powell, J. M. Henry, J. W. Lee, R. W. Vaughan, W. W. Drake, H. W. Jamieson, Jr., J. F. Foster, A. H. Parker, L. C. Wilson, J. C. Rousseaux, J. L. Williams, S. D. Howard, J. C. Price, A. G. Shankle, W. F. Henderson, F. R. Power, B. T. Crews, R. W. Tucker, L. N. Hoffpauir, S. S. Holladay, T. D. Lipscomb, I. T. Reams, H. T. Carley, A. W. Turner, and R. H. Wynn were called and their characters passed.

Admission on Trial.—Question 1 was called: Who are admitted on trial?

The name of P. S. Carpenter recommended by the District Conference of the Baton Rouge District was presented to the Conference but as he had not passed his examination his application was withdrawn, but the Presiding Elder was given authority to employ him as a supply.

Burnett Daniel Watson, duly recommended by the District Conference of the Baton Rouge District, was reported favorably by the Committee of Examination and Admission and was admitted on trial.

Jones Mitchell Boykin duly recommended by the District Conference of the New Orleans District was reported favorably by the Committees on Examination and Admission and on vote of the Conference was admitted on trial.

Richard Thomas Ware and Quinton Randolph Henry being recommended by the District Conference of the Shreveport District, the Committees of Examination and Admission reporting favorably, were admitted on trial.

Remaining on Trial.—Question 2 was called: Who remain on trial?

The names of A. L. Harper, A. A. Phillips, F. B. Hill, Robert W. Smith, B. H. Andrews, and J. L. Lay, were called. Their characters were passed, and the Committee of Examination reporting favorably, they were advanced to the class of the second year.

The names of A. C. Searcy and E. G. Wood were called; their characters were passed and the committees reporting that they had not passed the examinations on the course of study, they were continued in the class of the first year.

Readmission.—Question 5 was called: Who are readmitted?

The recommendation of Arch C. Holder from the Shreveport District Conference was presented and the Committee on Admissions reported favorably. There arising

some discussion as to the legality of receiving a member with an understanding concerning the appointment, the application was withdrawn by Brother Holder in person.

Local Preachers from other Churches.—Question 7 was called: Who are received from other churches as local preachers?

George W. Bolton, a local deacon from the Methodist Episcopal Church, having been duly received by the District Conference of the Alexandria District, his orders were recognized on condition that he present a certificate of agreement with us in doctrine and discipline.

Wesley W. Lantrip, an elder in the Methodist Protestant Church, having been received by the Alexandria District Conference, his orders were recognized on condition that he present a certificate of agreement with us in doctrine and discipline.

Provision for Afternoon Session.—It was moved by J. I. Hoffpauir that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet at 2:30 p. m. The motion prevailed.

Deacons of One Year.—Question 9 was called: Who are the deacons of one year?

The names of Thomas Lyle Bryson, W. A. Mangham, and W. F. Henderson, Jr., were called; their characters were passed, and the Committee of Examination reporting favorably, they were advanced to the class of the fourth year.

Withdrawal of W. B. Perritt.—The name of W. B. Perritt was called and his character passed.

At his own request, made through H. W. May, his presiding elder, he was permitted to withdraw from the ministry of our Church and the Secretary of the Conference was instructed to secure his credentials.

Location.—Question 18 was called: Who are located this year?

The name of C. M. Thompson was called, his character passed, and at his own request, made in writing to the Bishop, he was located.

Travelling Elders Elected.—Question 14 was called: What travelling preachers are elected elders?

The names of Charles Edward Fike, James L. Cady, and Jason Abraham Alford were called, their characters passed, and the Committee of Examination reporting favorably, they were graduated in the course of study and elected to elder's orders.

Deacons of One Year.—Question 9 was called: Who are the deacons of one year?

The name of W. F. Roberts, in the class of the fourth year, was called and his character passed. The Committee of the Fourth Year reporting that he had not passed the examination, he remained in the class of the fourth year as a deacon of one year.

Presentation to H. W. May.—On behalf of the preachers in the Alexandria District, W. H. Coleman presented to H. W. May a gold handled umbrella in token of their regard.

Adjournment.—The doxology was sung, the benediction pronounced by H. H. Ahrens, and Conference adjourned by rule.

FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convening.—According to resolution the Conference met at 2:30 p. m. Bishop Hoss in the chair.

Devotional Service.—Opening services consisted of singing Hymn 537,

"Oh God, our Help in Ages past!"

and prayer led by J. T. Sawyers.

Approval of Minutes.—The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Ministers from Other Churches.—Question 8 was called: Who are received from other churches as travelling preachers?

Alonzo Early, a minister in the Congregational Church, duly accredited, and being recommended by the Committee on Admission, was received as an elder and in full connection.

Composition of District Conferences.—The following resolution was passed and ordered to record:

Resolved: That the District Conference shall be composed in addition to members prescribed in the Discipline, paragraph 70, of four laymen to be elected by the Quarterly Conference of each charge.

BRISCOE CARTER.

W. E. AKIN.

Location.—Question 18 was called: Who are located this year?

W. J. Nesom at his own request presented in writing was located.

Report of Auditing Board.—The following report of the Auditing Board was read and ordered to record:

REPORT OF THE AUDITING BOARD.

Your Auditing Board beg leave to report as follows:

Received from all sources	\$27,767.00
Disbursements—	
Bishops' Fund	\$1,032.00
Conference Claimants	4,393.00
Superannuate Endowment Fund	522.00
Printing Minutes	345.00
General Conference Expenses	8.00—\$ 6,300.00
Foreign Missions	\$4,969.00
Specials Foreign Missions	332.00
Home and Conference Missions	6,054.00
Home Missions Special	31.00
Conference Missions Special	18.00—\$11,404.00
Church Extension	\$3,180.00
Special Church Extension	31.00—\$ 3,211.00
Education	\$5,099.00
Education Special	24.00—\$ 5,123.00
American Bible Society	406.00
Sunday School Field Secretary	\$ 896.00
Children's Day Fund	139.00—\$ 1,035.00
District Parsonages	251.00
Orphanage	37.00—\$27,767.00

A. M. MAYO,
J. G. SLOANE,
W. R. HARVELL.

Baton Rouge, La., November 25, 1916.

The report of the Statistical Secretary answering questions 23 to 50 was received as follows:

REPORT OF STATISTICAL SECRETARY.

Question 23—What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations and missions of the Conferences?

Answer—Local preachers 86, increase 19; members 38,940, increase 2250.

Question 24—How many have been licensed to preach during the year, and have their names been furnished to the department of Ministerial Supply and Training?

Answer—Seven. Two names sent in.

Question 25—How many candidates for the ministry are there, and have their names been furnished to the department of Ministerial Supply and Training?

Answer—Nine. Five names sent.

Question 26—How many infants have been baptized during the year?

Answer—949; decrease 91.

Question 27—How many adults have been baptized during the year?

Answer—1338; increase 25.

Question 28—What is the number of Epworth League?

Answer—81; increase 12.

Question 29—What is the number of Epworth League members?

Answer—2219; increase 147.

Question 30—What is the number of Sunday Schools?

Answer—343; increase 19.

Question 31—What is the number of Officers and Teachers?

Answer—3026; increase 342.

Question 32—What is the number of Sunday School scholars enrolled during the year?

Answer—32,674; increase 2404.

Question 33—What amount was assessed by the last Conference for the support of the Superannuate preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?

Answer—\$7000.

Question 34—What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Answer—\$4398 collected; increase \$677. Distributed to the claimants.

Question 35—What has been contributed for Missions?

Answer—Foreign Missions \$5398, increase \$809; Foreign Missions Special \$496, increase \$301; Home Missions \$6483, increase \$1947; Home Missions Special \$20, decrease \$372; Conference Missions Special \$65; Total Missions \$12,462, increase \$1750.

Question 36—What has been contributed for Church Extension?

Answer—\$3241; Special \$10; Total \$3251; increase \$799.

Question 37—What has been contributed for Education?

Answer—Conference Education \$5611, increase \$1708; Education Special Education \$7202; Total for Education \$12,813.

Question 38—What has been contributed for the American Bible Society?

Answer—\$423, increase \$33.

Question 39—What has been contributed for the support of the Presiding Elders and Preachers in charge?

Answer—Presiding Elders \$17,751, increase \$504; Preachers in charge \$119,047, increase \$9821. Total for Ministerial support \$136,798, increase \$11,325.

Question 40—What has been contributed for the support of the Bishops?

Answer—\$1061, increase \$175.

Question 41—What is the number of Societies, and Houses of Worship owned by them?

Answer—Number of Societies 406, no increase; Houses of Worship 357, increase 18.

Question 42—What is the value of Houses of Worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Answer—Value \$1,419,310, increase \$63,688; Indebtedness \$63,357, decrease \$56,688.

Question 43—What is the number of pastoral charges, and the number of parsonages owned by them?

Answer—Number of pastoral charges 145, decrease 7; number of parsonages 128, increase 10.

Question 44—What is the value of the parsonages, and the amount of indebtedness thereon?

Answer—Value \$272,970, increase \$16,851; Indebtedness \$21,037, increase \$1895.

Question 45—What is the number of Districts and District Parsonages?

Answer—Districts 7; Parsonages 6, increase 1.

Question 46—What is the value of the District Parsonages, and the indebtedness thereon?

Answer—Value of District Parsonages \$29,000, increase \$6000; Indebtedness \$6050, decrease \$890.

Question 47—What is the number of churches that have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage?

Answer—6; amount of damage \$457.

Question 48—What are the insurance statistics?

Answer—Insurance carried \$650,725; Premiums paid \$4690; Losses collected \$1023.

Question 49—What are the Educational Statistics?

Answer—Centenary College: Value of Property \$130,000; Indebtedness \$2000; Endowment \$6000; Professors 6; Pupils 60. Mansfield College: Value of Property \$75,000; Indebtedness \$20,000; Professors 12; Pupils 147.

Question 50—How many copies of the General Organ, and of the Conference Organ are being taken?

Answer—General Organ 282, increase 26; Conference Organ 1697, increase 60.

ROBERT W. VAUGHAN,
Statistical Secretary.

HENRY T. YOUNG,
H. W. CUDD,
C. V. BREITHAAPT,
R. E. BRUMBY,

Assistants.

Baton Rouge, La., November 25, 1916.

Local Preachers Elected Deacons.—Question 12 was called: What local preachers are elected deacons?

James Edward Craig, duly recommended by the District Conference by the Baton Rouge District, and John Granberry Sawyer duly recommended by the District Conference of the Shreveport District, were elected to deacon's orders.

Ben H. Andrews having been three years a local preacher and one year on trial in the traveling connection was elected to deacon's orders.

Local Elders Elected.—Question 16 was called: What local preachers are elected elders?

Frank Brooks Hill, duly recommended by the District Conference of the Shreveport District was elected to elder's orders.

The Committee on Conference Relations reported answering Questions 19 and 20. The report was adopted.

Supernumerary.—Question 19 was called: Who are supernumerary?

Felix R. Hill and P. H. Fontaine were granted the supernumerary relation by vote of the Conference.

Superannuates.—Question 20 was called: Who are superannuated?

R. S. Isbell, J. F. Wynn, F. G. Hocutt, J. H. Brown, J. L. P. Shepard, H. Armstrong, J. F. Patterson, T. S. Randle, R. A. Davis, F. N. Sweeney, J. T. Sawyer, M. G. Jenkins, and H. J. Boltz, were granted the superannuate relation by vote of the Conference.

Report of Treasurer of Legal Conference.—The report of the Treasurer of Legal Conference was read and received as follows:

LEGAL CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT.

Bills receivable, loans maturing during year	\$7,321.00
Bills payable, amount borrowed during year	3,500.00
Rentals Bynum Place	285.00
Rentals Franklinton property	160.00
Interest "Moore Fund"	96.50
Interest on Securities	1,313.27

\$12,675.77

Disbursements—

Overdraft City Bank (last year)	\$ 196.51
Paid account storm damage	102.07
Bills receivable (loans made during year)	6,486.00
Bills payable (borrowed of City Bank)	4,300.00
Interest on loans, City Bank	44.51
Expense	216.55
Rentals Franklin property	160.00
Appropriated to Joint Board of Finance	750.00
To Board of Missions	80.00
Cash Balance	340.13

\$12,675.77

Certificate of Auditor is appended.

S. H. MEYER, Treasurer.

CERTIFICATE OF AUDITOR.

The Legal Conference Committee, Louisiana Annual Conference

Gentlemen: This is to certify that the undersigned has audited the books of your Treasurer, Mr. S. H. Meyer, and found the same correct. The bills receivable and outstanding loan accounts amounting to \$57,475.00 are as follows:

Red River Land and Cattle Company	\$40,000.00
W. W. Duson, "Moore Fund"	1,600.00
Crowley Methodist Church	125.07
Crowley Methodist Church	2,000.00
Crowley Methodist Church	120.00
George A. Leroy	1,000.00
Mrs. Anna Stock and others	500.00
Mrs. V. Goery	500.00
Miss J. C. Christian	600.00
Miss J. C. Christian	100.00
J. J. Donavan	300.00
Mrs. Mary A. Gray	600.00
C. B. Fee	1,000.00
C. B. Free, accrued interest	180.83
W. A. Robinson	5,000.00
Mrs. Emily Bernice	1,000.00
Theodore T. Daly	800.00
Householders Building and Repair Company	400.00
Mrs. F. M. Cruso	500.00
S. R. Yundt	1,000.00
John E. Gorman	400.00
Charles Noel	350.00

\$57,475.00

Respectfully,

G. H. WASSON.

New Orleans, La., November 21, 1916.

Report of Board of Church Extension.—Robert O. Randle read the report of the Board of Church Extension which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

Your Board of Church Extension beg leave to submit the following report:

In accordance with the instructions of this Conference by action taken in 1915, the President of this Board attended the meeting of the Conference Board representatives held at Louisville, Kentucky, and he with the other members of this Conference who attended received a great inspiration.

Among other matters discussed at that meeting was the subject of Church Architecture, and your Board desires to call the special attention of our preachers to this matter. Our General Board has established a department of Church Architecture and has made a beginning in the preparation of plans and information on that subject. We advise those who are contemplating the building of churches to take this matter up with the General Board.

At this point we believe it is well to call the attention of the brethren to the following resolution of the General Board on this subject:

"Resolved, That it is the sense of this Board that our people who contemplate asking for Church Extension funds for the erection of churches, either by loan or donations, shall submit their financial methods and architectural plans to the Corresponding Secretary of the General Board, or to the Executive Committee of the Conference Board, within whose bounds the Church is located, and secure their approval of the same.

Failure to do this shall debar them from securing funds from these Boards."

While we have not followed this rule at this time, we believe that is a wise one, and that it should be applied to our work in the future.

We wish to call attention to the literature provided by the General Board on the subject of Church Extension, and furnished without cost to preachers, for their own use and for distribution. We suggest that a supply of this literature be procured by our preachers and distribution made of same. We would also recommend that the cause of Church Extension be presented from the pulpits of our churches as often as practicable, and that the Missionary features of this work be specially referred to.

We desire to congratulate the whole Church on the acquisition of the new building at Louisville. This building is convenient and beautiful and gives to the Board of Church Extension permanence and prestige greatly to be appreciated.

There was an offer to present to each pastor who paid his Church Extension Assessment in full, a copy of the life of David Morton, by Bishop Hoss. If any of our pastors have overlooked this offer we would urge them to avail themselves of the offer by writing to Dr. McMurry for their copy.

We suggest that money collected on the Church Extension assessment during the year be promptly forwarded by the brethren to the Treasurer, so that the portion payable to the General Board may immediately be put to work.

We are sorry that more of our Sunday Schools are not making use of the Sunday School Birthday Jars. During the past year only nine schools have contributed with a total amount of sixty-two dollars and eighty-three cents. This is an important agency, but one too lightly esteemed. A large increase could be secured if any general campaign were promoted through the Conference.

We note with pleasure that the collection for 1916 shows an increase of six hundred and fifty-one dollars over 1915; the collection this year is three thousand two hundred and eleven dollars; even this, however, is less than fifty per cent of the assessment.

During the year 1915 only 6.9 cents per capita was paid by our Conference to Church Extension. We deplore this insignificant contribution, and we submit that our people should pay not less than the total amount assessed for this cause.

The assessment for 1917 has been placed at the same amount as for 1916, to-wit., the sum of five thousand nine hundred and seventy dollars.

During the year past the members of your Board have made an earnest effort to bring to the attention of all our District Conferences the cause of Church Extension. We believe that this has been productive of good and it is our intention to continue this work.

Your Board has carefully considered all the claims presented to it, and has apportioned the funds at its command as, in its judgment seemed best, and as hereinafter set forth:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Total Amount collected on 1916 Assessment	\$3,180.00
Specials	31.00
Cash on hand from 1916	115.77

Total..... \$3,326.77

Disbursements—

To the General Board \$1,590.00

Donations:

To Reeves	\$100.00
To Natchitoches	225.00
To First Church, New Orleans	100.00
To Raceland	150.00
To Daisy	175.00
To Doyline	100.00
To Queensboro	100.00
To Noble Charge (Belmont)	100.00
To Vivian	150.00
To Pelican	100.00—
To Balance	\$1,300.00
	436.77

\$3,326.77

Loans: To Greenwood \$500.00

The apportionments for 1917 are as follows:

Alexandria District	\$861.00
Baton Rouge District	879.00
Lafayette District	830.00
Monroe District	707.00
New Orleans District	775.00
Ruston District	978.00
Shreveport District	940.00

\$5,970.00

K. W. DODSON, President.

Address of S. S. McKenney.—The Rev. S. S. McKenney, Commissioner for the Representative Church, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

S. H. Werlein introduced the following resolution, which were adopted:

RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE WASHINGTON CITY REPRESENTATIVE CHURCH.

Whereas, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is erecting in the City of Washington, D. C., a Representative Church Building for all of our people, and

Whereas, the General Conference Commission who are charged with the responsibility of carrying forward this enterprise are calling upon all the Annual Conferences, as such, to make contributions to this most worthy cause. Therefore Resolved:

First—That we, the Louisiana Conference now assembled in annual session at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, do hereby subscribe the sum of two thousand five hundred (\$2500.00) dollars for this enterprise.

Second—That we request the Bishop now presiding to appoint a Commissioner from each District in the Conference whose business it shall be to see that this matter is presented to each charge in his District, endeavoring to raise during the ensuing year by a free-will offering such proportion of this subscription as may be necessary to redeem this pledge.

Third—That these Commissioners may call to their assistance the Conference and District and charge Lay Leaders in carrying out this action.

Fourth—That these Commissioners meet as speedily as possible and organize for the purpose of carrying out these resolutions.

J. G. SNELLING,
S. H. WERLEIN,
JOHN L. WILLIAMS.

The Bishop requested the Presiding Elders to name the Commissioners provided for in the resolution. (They appear in the list of appointments.)

H. N. Brown presented the report of the Sunday School Board which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD.

We approach this session of our Conference with a profound sense of the increasing importance of the Sunday school work. The Sunday school has gradually advanced from the position of the most neglected and the most insignificant of religious agencies to where it is the most useful and the most universally recognized of all the auxiliaries of the modern church. No church can be without it, or its equivalent and live in this age of efficiency.

It is the purpose of your Board so to serve the Sunday schools of our Conference as to aid them in becoming real schools of religion, performing real religious educational work in all our churches.

We are glad to report that the Sunday school interests are advancing along all lines throughout the connection. Our literature is enjoying a steady growth. While two of the uniform publications have shown a decreased circulation, and the Graded Sunday School Magazine has suffered a slight loss, there is a grand total of nearly two and a half million and a net increase of 112,000 in circulation.

An encouraging sign of improvement is the rapid growth of the Teacher Training movement, looking to the greater efficiency of our Sunday school workers. We commend the attention of our Colleges to the movement for the installation of Teacher Training work as a part of their regular curriculum.

We urge attention to the Institutes and Schools of Principles and Methods of which that at Lake Junaluska is now the most thoroughly prepared. But others are being planned, and the one in connection with the Seashore Divinity School will probably be a development of the near future.

Perhaps the most significant movement of to-day in the Sunday school world is the Organized Class movement, of which the Wesley Classes is the Methodist Phase. Your Board has planned and asks your endorsement of a Wesley Bible Class Federation to meet in Alexandria in the early part of next year to promote interest in this growing branch of our work. The Sunday schools are showing increased interest in Missions. They are studying China in the graded and uniform classes. The Sunday schools gave \$205,000 last year for Missions.

THE WORK IN OUR OWN CONFERENCE.

Rev. W. H. Coleman, the Field Secretary appointed by Bishop Atkins at the last session of this Conference, was appointed to the pastorate at Alexandria after four months service in the office, and by authority of the Bishop, your Board employed Rev. C. V. Breithaupt to fill the vacancy. In the seven and a half months of his service, he has travelled over 11,000 miles, made 165 addresses, and participated in 81 Sunday School Councils. Your Board did not believe it practical to continue the salary of the Field Secretary at \$250.00 per month, and at its mid-year meeting we reduced the salary to \$125.00 per month, with travelling and stenographic expenses added. We believed that this would meet with the general approval of the Conference.

Your Board supplies literature to several needy Sunday schools, on recommendation of the Presiding Elders, and has made it a rule to supply children's day programs to all Sunday schools not able to provide them, when such schools will agree to observe Children's Day, and send the offerings to our Treasurer. Your Board recognized the valuable service rendered to many of our Sunday schools by the Louisiana Sunday School Association.

We recommend the continuance of the two per cent assessment for the maintenance of the work of the Field Secretary.

We request Bishop Hoss to appoint Rev. C. V. Breithaupt to the office of Field Secretary.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Whereas, the General Sunday School Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, holds in its possession \$50,000.00 which was raised in our Sunday schools for the endowment of a chair of Sunday School Pedagogy for the training of preachers and Sunday school workers of our Church, and

Whereas, the General Sunday School Board has agreed to turn over one-half of this amount (the other half going to Emory University), to the School of Theology of Southern Methodist University, on condition that an additional \$35,000.00 be raised for the endowment of the Department of Sunday School Pedagogy; and,

Whereas, Dr. E. B. Chappel, our Sunday School Editor, has endorsed the plan proposed by the Trustees of Southern Methodist University to raise the additional amount required and has agreed to make use of the Sunday school publications of the Church in order to lay this important interest on the hearts of our people; therefore, be it resolved:

First—That we co-operate in this undertaking by naming the second Sunday in March (or some Sunday as near thereto as practicable) "Religious Education Sunday;" agreeing on the above named Sunday to call special attention in all our Sunday schools to this endowment fund, and to take a special offering for this purpose.

Second—That we call upon our pastors to preach special sermons on Religious Education on the Sunday named, and ask our congregations to allow the regular open collection on "Religious Education Sunday" to go to the endowment of this Department in Southern Methodist University.

It is understood that all monies raised for this fund are to be sent to the Treasurer of the Annual Conference Sunday School Board, and by him sent to Frank Reedy, Bursar, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas.

Respectfully submitted,

H. N. BROWN, President.

J. A. ALFORD, Secretary.

Place for Next Session.—Question 52 was called: Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

Minden was put in nomination and unanimously chosen.

Report Number 2 of the Board of Education.—W. W. Drake read report Number 2 of the Board of Education.

W. H. Coleman moved to amend by striking out the recommendation that Thomas Carter and H. B. Carré be appointed professors in Vanderbilt University.

After discussion the pending question was ordered on motion of C. A. Battle and the amendment prevailed.

The report as amended was adopted as follows:

REPORT NUMBER 2 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Your Board of Education, realizing that our people can be brought into vital co-operation with our Educational plans only by a definite and powerful conviction of their importance, would call attention to the law requiring each pastor to preach once a year on this subject, and emphasize the necessity of circulating literature upon this subject.

We commend the plan of the General Board in co-operation with other Boards, of setting apart an Educational day in the Epworth Leagues, Sunday schools, bringing the colleges of the Church to the attention of our young people.

We also call attention to the requirement that a sermon on the call to preach shall be preached in each congregation, and to the plan of setting apart vocation day in our Sunday schools.

We rejoice in the widening usefulness of the Correspondence School and recommend, especially to our undergraduates, its courses of instruction.

We have considered the request of the Department of Supply and Training that we levy an assessment for Ministerial Education, to be used for assisting young men in their education for the ministry eighty per cent to be directed by the Conference Board and twenty per cent by the General Conference Board, and in lieu of the assessment suggested have appointed a committee to work out definite plans for securing such a fund.

We commend to our people the Seashore Camp Ground School at Biloxi, Miss., under the joint control of the New Orleans, Seashore and Mobile District Conferences, as a good training school in a healthy location and under wholesome Christian management.

We recommend that the assessment for Conference Education remain at \$10,000, which, combined with the assessment of the General Board of \$1890.00 as follows:

Alexandria District	\$1,716.00
Baton Rouge District	1,749.00
Lafayette District	1,653.00
Monroe District	1,412.00
New Orleans District	1,540.00
Ruston District	1,947.00
Shreveport District	1,873.00
Total.....	\$11,890.00

We recommend the appointment of the following Trustees of Mansfield Female College:

Clerical—W. W. Holmes, W. H. Coleman, A. G. Shankle, K. W. Dodson, J. G. Snelling, W. R. Harvell, N. E. Joyner, H. N. Brown, W. F. Henderson, J. M. Brown.

Lay—L. B. Wilcox, J. H. Thatcher, A. M. Mayo, A. P. Holt, Dr. W. D. Haas, Frank Hunter, Dr. J. M. Middleton, O. H. Jordon, A. W. Baird, A. P. Taliaferro, W. L. Calhoun, C. B. Hicks, S. A. Kidd, R. E. Bobbitt.

We recommend the confirmation of the following as Trustees of Centenary College: J. M. Robinson, G. L. Prestridge, R. O. Randle, T. W. Holloman, T. C. Clanton.

We recommend the appointment of R. H. Wynn, as President and H. T. Carley as professor in Centenary College, and F. N. Parker as professor in Emory University.

We recommend the appointment of W. W. Drake as Conference Secretary of Education.

J. M. HENRY, Chairman.

W. WINANS DRAKE, Secretary.

Paper from the Board of Education.—The following paper from the Board of Education was read by W. W. Drake and adopted:

PAPER FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The Committee appointed by this Conference to examine candidates for admission on trial in attempting to discharge its duty finds itself confused because of the following facts:

1. The General Conference of 1914 enacted that "the educational requirements for admission on trial into the travelling connection shall be equivalent, so far as English branches are concerned, to the requirements set by the Educational Commission for admission into a standard college, etc." See Discipline 1914, Paragraph 729 first issue; Paragraph 730 second issue.

2. In the first issue of the Discipline for 1914, paragraph 730 gives the following course of study for admission trial: English Grammar, Rhetoric, Geography, Arithmetic, with special reference to Bookkeeping; Outlines of World's History (Swinton); Manual of Christian Doctrine (Barks); Wesley's Sermons on "Justification by Faith" and the Witness of the Spirit; the Book of Discipline; written Sermon.

From the second issue of the Discipline of 1914, the paragraph just quoted is omitted entirely.

3. That part of the course of instruction relating to general education given in paragraph 730 of the first issue of the Discipline of 1914, does not harmonize with the requirement found in the same Discipline paragraph 729. The course outlined is not equivalent to the requirements of the Educational Commission for admission to the freshman class of the standard college.

4. In the later issues of the Discipline of 1914, there are no courses of study given for candidates for admission either in general education or in specifically religious subjects.

On account of the confusion resulting from the situation here given, we respectfully request our Bishops to give to the Church at an early date a definite statement of the courses of study required under the law of 1914 of Candidates for admission on trial into the travelling connection, said statement to cover courses both in general education as well as specifically religious subjects.

J. I. Hoffpauir moved that when we adjourn we adjourn to meet Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, in Memorial Session. The motion prevailed.

After the benediction by W. W. Drake, Conference adjourned on motion.

FIFTH DAY.

The Conference Love Feast was held in the First Methodist Church, led by J. T. Sawyer. Pulpits of city churches were filled by members of the Conference.

At the morning service in the First Methodist Church, Bishop Hoss preached and after the sermon ordained deacons and elders.

Convening.—Conference convened in memorial session at 3 p. m. Jacob D. Harper in the chair.

Hymn 592 was sung: "What, though the arm of conquering death does God's own house invade?"

The Conference was led in prayer by J. M. Brown.

C. A. Battle read as Scripture lessons Psalm XXIII, and 2 Corinthians V.

Question 21—Question 21 was called: What preachers have died during the past year?

Answer—J. A. Parker.

J. D. Harper read a memoir of Brother Parker and was by consent granted time to perfect manuscript of same as the report of the Committee on Memoirs. (See Appendix.)

J. M. Brown, Robert Randle, H. W. May, R. W. Tucker, Stephen J. Davis, and John T. Sawyer made eulogistic remarks upon the life and character of the deceased brother; after this one hundred or more brethren stood in testimony that their lives had been touched and blessed by Dr. Parker.

In the absence of Bishop Hoss, who was to have made a memorial address on Bishop Wilson, whose death had been announced the first day of Conference, it was moved by F. S. Parker that a suitable memoir of Bishop Wilson be prepared for insertion in the minutes. The motion prevailed.

It was moved by R. H. Wynn that the Editor of the Minutes be instructed to prepare and insert in the Annual suitable memoirs of sisters M. G. Jenkins and Wilson Moore, who had died during the year. The motion prevailed.

On behalf of the Asbury Memorial Committee Dr. S. A. Steel was introduced and addressed the Conference on Francis Asbury.

On motion of R. S. Isbell the Conference by a rising vote thanked Dr. Steel for his inspiring address.

The Conference was declared adjourned and the benediction was pronounced by S. A. Steel.

SIXTH DAY.

Convening.—According to rule Conference convened in sixth day's session, Monday, November 27, at 9 a. m. Bishop Hoss in the chair.

Devotional Service.—The opening devotional service was conducted by Bishop Hoss, and consisted of singing Hymn 4,

"The God of Abraham Praise,"

prayer led by H. W. May, singing of Hymn 91,

"Guide me on Thou Great Jehovah."

Scripture reading from Colossians 1:20, and memorial remarks upon the late Bishop Wilson by Bishop E. E. Hoss. At the conclusion of which Hymn 611,

"Come let us join our friends above"

was sung.

Minutes Approved.—The minutes of the session of Saturday afternoon and the memorial session of Sunday afternoon were read and approved.

The Bishop submitted a certificate of ordinations as follows, answering Questions 11, 13, 14, and 17:

CERTIFICATE OF ORDINATIONS.

I, E. E. Hoss, one of the Bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, do hereby certify that at the morning service in the First Methodist Episcopal Church, South, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the twenty-sixth day of November, 1916:

I ordained the following named brethren deacons: William Ransom McPhearson, James Lambuth Evans, Albert Dean George and James Edward Craig:

And that, assisted by Elders present, I did at the same service, and immediately following the ordination of deacons, ordained the following named brethren elders: Charles Edward Fike, James L. Cady, Jason Abraham Alford, and Frank Brooks Hills:

I further certify that at the same time Alonzo Early, a minister received from the Congregational Church, was present and assumed the ordination vows of elder without the reimposition of hands.

E. E. HOSS, President,

Baton Rouge, La., November 26, 1916.

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Ordination of Traveling Elders.—Question 11 was called: What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Answer—William Ransom McPhearson, James Lambuth Evans, Albert Dean George.

Ordination of Local Deacons.—Question 13 was called: What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Answer—James Edward Craig.

Note: John Granbury Sawyer and Benjamin H. Andrews, yesterday elected to local deacon's orders were not present for ordination.

Ordination of Travelling Elders.—Question 15 was called: What travelling preachers are ordained elders?

Answer—Charles Edward Fike, James L. Cady, and James Abraham Alford.

At the same time Alonzo Early received from the Congregational Church appeared with the candidates and assumed the vows of ordination without reimposition of hands, and was recognized as a travelling elder.

Ordination of Local Elders.—Question 17 was called: What local preachers are ordained elders?

Answer—Frank Brooks Hill.

Discontinued.—Question 2 was called.—Who are discontinued?

Answer—None.

Report of Committee on Evangelism.—J. G. Snelling on behalf of the Committee on Evangelism made a report which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM.

The program and plan as recommended by the Committee on Evangelism and adopted by the Presiding Elders in a call meeting at Alexandria, Louisiana, October 26 and 27, 1916, is as follows:

December.

Let the Evangelistic Committee and the Conference Lay Leaders and the Presiding Elders meet as early in December as possible to discuss the details of the work as it concerns each district and to choose a particular month for each district.

January.

We recommend that the Presiding Elders call a meeting of all the preachers in their respective districts the first week in January to plan the revival work. We suggest that as far as possible at this meeting the dates for holding revivals in each charge be fixed and spiritual men be selected, either evangelists who have been endorsed by the evangelistic committee or pastors who possess evangelistic fervor. We would further suggest that, where a pastor serves several churches, he unite these churches in a central community and plan for a longer meeting than usual. Where this is not practical let the pastor select the most important places in his charge for the month chosen for his district and hold meetings at the other points at a later date.

February.

We recommend that particular emphasis be given by the pastors to soul saving themes; that prayer circles be organized and that the last week of February be observed in all of our churches as the week of prayer.

That March, April, May, June, July, August, September be chosen for the revival campaign throughout the district.

Let all God's people pray and endeavor to, "WIN ONE TO CHRIST."

PLAN.

The plan presented by the Conference Committee on Evangelism to the Presiding Elders' Conference in session in the First Methodist Church, Alexandria, Louisiana, October 27, was read and after thoughtful discussion it was decided that the committees on evangelism perfect the plan, have it printed, and that it be recommended to the Annual Conference in formal session at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, appointed for November 22, 1916.

The Plan is as follows: Whereas, There has been no concerted revival effort in our Conference in many years; and whereas, believing that the most important work of the Kingdom is to Win Men to Christ; and whereas, our Church provides for special emphasis on Evangelism, we the Conference Committee on Evangelism, recommend to the Annual Conference now in session the following plan:

(1) Resolved for the purpose of inspiring in our own hearts deeper consecration for the task before us we begin by holding Conference evangelistic services during Conference week.

(2) That during the year 1917 we conduct organized revival efforts throughout the State, giving special emphasis to personal evangelism or the "Win One Plan."

(3) We would emphasize the importance for holding special meetings for men, women, young people, and children, That canvasses be made for membership by the Sunday School, Epworth Leagues, Missionary Societies and all organized classes and organizations in the Church. We would discourage union meetings at this time unless those in charge think larger results could be obtained by that method.

(4) That the pastors organize prayer bands, publicity committees, that the evangelistic committee appointed in each church carefully tabulate reports and furnish information of the progress of the work to the Presiding Elders and that the Presiding Elders keep our Bishop posted as the work advances.

(5) That all committees be instructed by the Presiding Elders and Pastor as to their duties that they may render every assistance by giving publicity to the meetings through our Conference organ and daily papers. We recommend that the pastors read Dr. Todd's book on evangelism and furnish personal workers with helpful leaflets on "How to Win Men to Christ," That the evangelistic committee in each local church distribute tracts and leaflets on the various causes of our Church.

(6) That the Presiding Elder and preacher in charge, together with the Recording Steward check up the church roll and endeavor to get a correct roll, finding out those who have moved away and where they are, sending their certificates of member-

ship to the pastor in the charge, where they reside, hoping by this means to enlist the hundreds of Methodists who are not now in touch with church work worship.

(7) By all means let the work be done decently and in order, and to prevent confusion we would suggest that a committee on finance in each charge be appointed to arrange for the expense of the meeting by free will offering and personal solicitation.

We earnestly invite our Bishop to be with us during the revival campaign all of the time he can spare.

The Committee on Evangelism recommends the name of Henry T. Young, and also endorses J. Douglas Swagerty, of Shreveport, Louisiana, for Conference Evangelists.

J. G. SNELLING, for the Committee.

Report of Committee on Church Publications.—The report of the Committee of Church Publications, including that of the Trustees of the New Orleans Depository, was read by R. H. Harper.

It was moved by F. S. Parker that the report be recommitted with instructions that the recommendation that the Depository be conveyed to the Legal Conference be substituted by nominations for a new Board of Trustees for the New Orleans Depository. The motion prevailed.

Report of Epworth League Board.—The report of the Epworth League Board was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF EPWORTH LEAGUE BOARD.

It is gratifying to note the encouraging outlook of the Epworth League work as given in our General Secretary's report. The percentage of gain in membership and new chapters is the greatest for a number of years. A financial plan has been devised which, if faithfully worked, will meet all our obligations. The number of subscribers to the Epworth Era is the largest in the history of the Epworth League.

Our State work is progressing and moving forward most satisfactory. We have a hundred organizations, a gain of thirty chapters during the year. Our State President and his cabinet are doing faithful work; their slogan is a League in every church.

Resolved, First, that we, the Conference Board, co-operate with the State organization by selecting a pastor in each district who will co-operate with the district secretaries in the organizing of new Leagues and creating a sentiment for the developing of leadership among our young people which the League alone supplies.

Second. We recommend that a representative of the League be engaged by the Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama Conferences to represent the League work at the Seashore Divinity School in the annual meetnig, this expense to be paid by the respective Epworth League Conferences.

Third. In view of the fact that there are so many foreigners in New Orleans and that there is an effort on the part of the Mission Board to build a church on a site already purchased, adequate to the needs, we recommend that our League co-operation with the Mission Board in forwarding this great work be extended.

Fourth. That J. M. Boykin, H. L. Johns, and W. R. McPhearson be appointed to fill vacancies on the Conference Epworth League Board.

W. E. THOMAS, President.

J. M. BOYKIN, Secretary pro tem.

Report of Bible Society Board.—The report of the Bible Society Board was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE BIBLE SOCIETY BOARD.

It is very gratifying to note, that the work of the American Bible Society goes on without any abatement. It is a cause which appeals to every Protestant and the increasing gifts of the churches towards it indicate a deepening conviction that it is a powerful auxiliary to the church in the evangelization of the world. We are informed that during the past century 117,500,000 volumes of Scripture in 150 languages were distributed. During the past year great union gatherings have been held in celebration of the Centennial of the Society. Last May, in Washington City, President Wilson, Vice President Marshall, Congressmen Champ Clark and Ownes made addresses which commanded the admiration and endearment of the Protestant Churches of America. Special efforts have been made by the Southwestern Agency to distribute the Testament among the soldiers along the border. About 1500 have already been placed in the hands of soldiers and it is estimated that 40,000 men have not yet been supplied. We are asked

to contribute money for the manufacture of the Testament, and in order to bring this matter before our people that we set aside December 10, as Army Testament Day and make an effort to assist in this work. The Southwestern Agency distributed last year more than 100,000 volumes. Special effort has been made to reach the foreign speaking people of the four States under the supervision of the Southwestern Agency. Colporters speaking the language of the foreign people have been sent to them and there is every reason why the Louisiana Conference should be active in the task of getting the assessment apportioned by the last Annual Conference. We believe our brethren have this sacred cause on their hearts and while we appreciate what they have endeavored to do we urge them not to relax in their effort to meet the assessment placed upon them by their Church.

Resolved, that if practicable, we observe December 10, 1916, as Army Testament Day.

We are glad to report an increase of \$23.00 over the amount raised by us last year. We recommend that the assessment for the coming year remain as it has been and that the amount be apportioned to the several districts as follows:

Alexandria District	\$100.00
Baton Rouge District	101.00
Lafayette District	96.00
Monroe District	82.00
New Orleans District	90.00
Ruston District	110.00
Shreveport District	108.00

S. H. WERLEIN, Chairman.
M. HEBERT, Secretary.

Report of Orphanage Home Board.—The report of the Orphanage Home Board was read by John Sholars. Pending adoption R. W. Vaughan, superintendent of the Orphanage, J. M. Henry, R. O. Randle, and C. C. Wier, addressed the Conference. The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF ORPHANS' HOME BOARD.

Appended hereto are the reports of the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Methodist Orphanage and of Rev. Robert W. Vaughan, superintendent; both of which we recommend for adoption.

We urgently recommend the importance of giving to the Orphanage all moneys collected in our congregations and Sunday Schools on Easter Sunday and Work Day, and the importance of every Sunday School and congregation observing these anniversaries for this benefit.

It is gratifying to call to your attention the successful maintenance of the work during the past year.

We recommend that this Conference confirm the re-election of Rev. Robert W. Vaughan, as superintendent; and of Rev. R. H. Wynn and Messrs. R. D. Webb and R. O. Randle, as members of the Board of Directors.

C. C. WIER, President.
JOHN SHOLARS, Secretary.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

To the Presiding Bishop and Members of the Louisiana Annual Conference, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Methodist Orphanage I present to you the following report:

The institution is, in every sense, in a healthy and prosperous condition. We have had material increases in every department of our work and endeavor. We are now supporting and educating 115 children in our Home, which is the limit of our housing capacity, and we can expand no further in this respect until we are provided with sufficient funds to build additional dormitories. Five times as many applications for admission are made to us as we are able to accommodate, and most of them worthy.

We can only admit those in most urgent need.

We celebrated this year an epochal event in our history, viz.: the dedication of the Louisiana Methodist Orphanage; the service was performed by our beloved Bishop Hoss, and the occasion was a red-letter day for the institutions. We are now clear of

mortgages and debts of all kinds, except a small sum for a forty acres of land we have recently purchased adjoining our farm, and which we needed very much.

The report of our Superintendent, Rev. R. W. Vaughan, made to the Board at its meeting last week, is an exceedingly gratifying one, in every sense of the word. It shows receipts for the year ending November 1, 1916, to have been \$16,105.65. It will be laid before your body for your information as to what is being done for your orphanage, and deserves your most careful study.

The Board memorializes your body to again set aside Easter Sunday and Work Day as days for raising funds for the maintenance of the institution the incoming Conference year. The terms of three of the members of the Board of Directors expire with the present Conference year, viz.: R. H. Wynn, R. D. Webb and R. O. Randle. There were all re-elected, and your confirmation of the election asked. The term of our Superintendent, Rev. R. W. Vaughan, also expires, and he also was re-elected, and this election we ask be confirmed also. Respectfully submitted,

S. D. PEARCE, President Board of Directors.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

To the Honorable S. D. Pearce, President and Members of the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Methodist Orphanage:

Dear Brethren:

In compliance with our usual custom, I beg to submit, herewith, my Annual Report, setting forth the work accomplished, the present condition, and the future outlook of your institution. This report covers the fiscal year from November 1, 1915, to November 1, 1916.

The year has been marked by steady progress along all lines of operation. We have handled more children than ever before in the history of our work. One hundred and thirty-nine children have received the benefits of the Home during the year. Thirty-two children have been taken into the Home; two left of their own accord; fourteen were placed in the homes of relatives, and eight have been placed in good Christian homes. We now have 115 children in the Orphanage. The health condition of our children has been all we could ask; no deaths, not a serious case of illness has occurred among the children.

The children have made their usual steady progress in their education, and have maintained their high degree of excellence in their school work. We are now sending three students to the Louisiana Industrial Institute, ninety-two are attending the public school and twenty are too small to attend school.

Our children attend Sunday School regularly, and as many as are large enough attend Church each Sunday. We have our daily devotional services at the home, and are seeking to impress on the children the importance of a consecrated Christian life. The larger girls of the home have maintained during the year, a Young People's Missionary Society, paying their dues and keeping up the regular prescribed study course.

During the year we have erected a modern, sanitary milk barn, the boys in the home doing the actual work under the direction of the Superintendent. This barn, except for the material used was erected without cost to the Orphanage. A hay and feed barn was also erected. These two buildings are conservatively estimated at a worth of \$1000 and cost for material less than \$500. We have also added forty acres of land to our holdings for which we are to pay \$1000 in four annual payments, this representing the only indebtedness against our institution at the present time. Quite a bit of fencing has been done and other improvements have been effected. The crops were fairly good, especially peanuts and potatoes. Our garden, while not so good as in former years, has given us a fairly good supply of vegetables for our table use. But little canning was done during the season, but enough to be of considerable help to us during the winter months.

We have been permitted to announce a gift of \$5000 toward the establishment of an endowment fund for the Orphanage. This gift was made by Dr. Luther Sexton, a prominent physician of New Orleans. This gift is in the form of interest bearing stock in Finlay, Dicks and Company, Wholesale Drug Company, of New Orleans, and we derived our first dividend of \$400 from the stock during the year. We are profoundly grateful to this generous hearted philanthropist of New Orleans, and trust this is the beginning of a fund that will grow rapidly until it becomes of sufficient size to help relieve the great pressure for funds necessary to carry on our work.

Our Financial Report for the year, November 1, 1915 to November 1, 1916, is as follows:

Cash on hand, November 1, 1915.....	\$ 2,364.55	
Cash Receipts: Edith Higginbotham Memorial Fund.....	26.27	
Churches and Individuals	\$8,338.87	
Sunday Schools	6,074.85	
Raised by Miss Mollie Higginbotham	613.60	
Missionary Societies	416.32	
Edgerly Orphanage Society	88.00	
Ladies' Aid Societies	81.45	
Winnfield Orphanage Circle	60.50	
Morgan City King's Daughters	17.00	
Epworth Leagues	13.36	
Dividend from Endowment Fund	400.00	
Old Clothes Sold	98.02	
Refund on Accounts	38.01	
Refund Miss Higginbotham Expense Account.....	17.61	
Refund on Freight	4.76	
Cow Sold	15.00	
Coal Sold	17.60—	\$16,295.85
Total Cash in Hand during year.....		\$18,686.00
Disbursements—		
Salaries, Superintendent and Helpers	\$4,418.86	
Office Expenses—		
Traveling Expenses	\$ 169.03	
Postage	184.10	
Cash Returned to	1.00	
Stationery and Office Supplies	126.26	
Printing Visitor	182.25—	\$ 662.64
Traveling Solicitor, Salary and Expenses.....	178.45	
Indebtedness—		
Note	\$2,000.00	
Interest	60.00—	\$2,060.00— \$7,219.95
Maintenance—		
Groceries	\$2,575.39	
Dry Goods	1,096.33	
Hardware and Furniture	716.60	
Stock Feed and Fertilizers	874.65	
Fuel	499.40	
Drugs and School Supplies	406.84	
Seed, Plants, and Fruit Trees	107.46	
Laundry	616.36	
Lights	200.70	
Water	164.50	
Telephone	64.87	
Freight, Drayage and Express	68.99	
Sundries	183.09—	\$7,575.18
Insurance—Premiums, three years		793.40
Improvements and Repairs—		
Potato House	\$ 163.47	
Cow Barns	302.25	
Sewerage	63.86	
Lumber	72.90	
Post	43.60	
Repair Work	153.75—	\$ 799.77
Final Settlement on Home	100.00	
Total Expenditures	16,488.30	
Balance in Hands of Treasurer	2,198.37—	\$18,686.67

Assets—		
Cash in Hands of Treasurer		\$2,198.00
Main Building and Furniture	\$30,000.00	
Barn and Contents	1,000.00	
Dairy Barn and Hay Barn	1,000.00	
Canning House and Equipment	750.00	
Superintendent's Home and Furniture	5,000.00	
127½ Acres of Land	5,210.00	
Stock	250.00	
Cattle	750.00	
Hogs	250.00	
Farm Implements	200.00	
Fencing	250.00	
Endowment Fund	5,000.00—	\$49,660.00
Total Assets		\$51,858.37
Liabilities—		
Indebtedness for Land Purchased.....	\$ 1,000.00	
Actual Worth	50,858.37—	\$51,858.37

We have added to the value of our Institution this year the sum of \$8,243.82.

We carry \$26,000 Insurance, with all premiums paid for three years in advance,

From the above report you will see that this has been the best year in our history, financially. We are now practically free of debt, the Institution has been formally dedicated, and we have much to be profoundly grateful for.

Yet, in spite of the encouraging showing made from our financial report, we are confronted with a most serious situation. The calls for our assistance to helpless and homeless children are growing more constant and persistent. We are already crowded beyond our capacity, and the need of additional buildings, better equipment and more painstaking management is imperative. To do the enlarged work demanded of us, we feel that an endowment sufficient to provide for our additionally incurred expenses will be necessary. Yet, under our plan we cannot reasonably expect larger income than we are now receiving. We are convinced it will be necessary to inaugurate a movement looking to this end. A newly developed plan has been very promising, provided we are permitted to put an additional worker in the field. Yet until the plan has proven to be the success we feel confident it will, whereby we can relieve the churches and Sunday schools of the burden of our support, we must ask that you recommend to the Conference the continuance of Easter Sunday in the spring, and "Work Day" in the fall, as Orphanage days when collections be taken for our work.

Profoundly grateful to Almighty God for His continued goodness to us, thanking all our true and loyal friends, both preachers and laymen, for their generous and cordial help, and especially grateful to the members of this Board and the Conference Board, for their wise counsel and sympathetic help, and pledging again my best endeavors in behalf of this great and growing work, should you and Conference deem it wise to retain my services, I am,

Faithfully,

ROBERT W. VAUGHAN,
Superintendent Louisiana Methodist Orphanage.

Presentation to J. I. Hoffpauir.—Mr. R. E. Brumby briefly addressed the Conference in the name of the preachers and laymen making presentation of a watch fob to the Rev. J. I. Hoffpauir, retiring presiding elder of the Lafayette District, Brother Hoffpauir replied in words of gratitude fitly spoken.

Resolution Submitted on Church Union.—S. H. Werlein submitted preambles and resolutions on the Union of American Methodism signed by eighty-one members of the Conference.

The adoption of the paper was moved by J. I. Hoffpauir.

Robert Randle moved that the paper lie on the table. The motion was lost.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, H. W. May moved an extension of time.

The motion prevailed.

C. A. Battle moved to amend the paper by the addition of two resolutions.

J. O. Bennett moved that Bishop Hoss be heard upon the question. The motion

prevailed and Bishop Hoss addressed the Conference.

Motion to Adjourn.—It was moved by H. B. Carré that we do now adjourn to meet at 2:30 p. m. The motion prevailed.

Presentation to Briscoe Carter.—On a question of personal privilege, E. K. Means for the Ruston District presented Briscoe Carter, retiring presiding elder, with a handsome umbrella as a souvenir and token of the love of his brethren.

Brother Carter fittingly responded.

Telegraphic communications were read from George W. Bolton and Wesley W. Lantrip, subscribing to the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. These were accepted by the Conference as meeting the condition upon which their orders were to be recognized.

Adjournment.—After singing the doxology, the Conference adjourned with benediction by the Bishop.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convening.—Pursuant to adjournment Conference convened at 2:30 p. m.

Devotional Service.—The devotional service consisted of singing Hymn 415, "Faith of our Fathers! Living Still,"

and prayer by A. G. Shankie.

The Bishop being absent, F. S. Parker, announced that a message had been sent to the Bishop inquiring his will concerning the presidency of the afternoon session.

S. J. Davis moved that E. H. Wynn be elected President pro tempore. The motion prevailed, and Dr. Wynn took the chair.

Approval of Minutes.—The minutes of the morning session were read and after correction approved.

Bishop Hoss arrived and took the chair.

W. H. Coleman offered a substitute for the paper of Dr. Werlein, which was pending at adjournment, and the amendment of C. A. Battle.

R. H. Wynn, by courtesy, was allowed to read a paper which he had intended to offer as a substitute for the paper of S. H. Werlein, before the house, and the substitute.

The vote on the substitute was taken and prevailed on a division, 68 for, and 66 against, as follows:

RESOLUTIONS ON THE UNIFICATION OF AMERICAN METHODISM.

Whereas, the question of the unification of American Methodism is one of great importance, and

Whereas, a Joint Commission from the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Protestant Church, formulated a tentative plan for the unification of these Churches, and,

Whereas, the General Conferences of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and the Methodist Episcopal Church have both taken favorable action upon the plans suggested by said Commission, and,

Whereas, a new Commission of duly appointed commissioners from the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, is soon to convene for the further consideration of the important question;

Therefore, Be it Resolved, by the Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South:

First—That we rejoice in the spirit of brotherly love and co-operation expressed and demonstrated in these aforesaid steps toward unification;

Second—That we endorse the plan suggested by our own General Conference in Oklahoma City;

Third—That we have confidence in the integrity and ability of our Commissioners, and that we join them in prayer before our Father's throne for that divine wisdom that may enable them to agree upon a feasible plan satisfactory to both these great branches of Methodism;

Fourth—That while we believe there can finally be worked out a satisfactory plan for real unification by reorganization, yet we disapprove either unqualified opposition to the movement or undue haste in consummating plans that may not be well matured;

Fifth—That we believe the secret of success in this matter, as well as in all other worthy undertakings, is to seek and follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit;

Sixth—That we comply with the request of the Commissioners in observing with them the program of services and especially the watch night meeting on Sunday, December 31.

WILLIAM H. COLEMAN,
JOHN L. WILLIAMS,
H. W. MAY.

Report of Committee on Church Publications.—The recommitted report of the Committee on Books and Periodicals was submitted by R. H. Harper.

On motion the paragraph nominating Trustees of the New Orleans Depository was adopted.

A motion was made to adopt the paper as a whole.

P. O. Lowrey moved to amend by striking out the first clause in the second paragraph.

The amendment was lost and the report was adopted as a whole as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHURCH PUBLICATIONS.

We are glad to note, in the report of the Publishing House, a total increase in the volume of business of \$36,770.20 over the previous year.

We believe the Church to be fortunate in the continuance of Dr. R. A. Meek as Editor of the New Orleans Christian Advocate, and we commend the Advocate to all our people, and we urge our preachers and laymen to use their influence to give it a wider circulation.

The Christian Advocate, published in Nashville, is a great religious journal, and should be read by all our people. We also commend the Epworth Era, The Missionary Voice, and The Methodist Review. We feel that the high standard of the Review is being maintained under Dr. DuBose. These are journals worthy of our great Church, and we regret to find, on the report of the Publishing House, that they have been published at a loss during the past year. We urge that greater efforts be made to give them a larger reading among our people.

We also urge a careful study of the annuals of the General Boards.

We recognize the superior character of our Sunday school literature, and we recommend its use by all our schools.

Your committee recommend the reappointment of J. M. Henry and W. W. Drake, on the Publishing Committee of the New Orleans Christian Advocate; and in place of Briscoe Carter, resigned, we recommend the appointment of John F. Foster.

We submit herewith the report of the Board of Trustees of the New Orleans Methodist Depository, and,

Whereas, the Board of Trustees of the New Orleans Methodist Depository tender their resignation, we do hereby accept their resignation, and nominate, in their places, the following as Trustees:

TRUSTEES OF THE NEW ORLEANS DEPOSITORY—H. F. Foster, G. D. Shands, C. H. Wasson, Paul Renshaw, E. H. Prescott, A. C. King, W. B. Summers, W. F. Sherwood, and H. H. Ahrens.

The report of the retiring Board of Trustees of the New Orleans Depository is appended.

R. H. HARPER,
S. J. DAVIS,
E. K. MEANS.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF NEW ORLEANS DEPOSITORY.

I submit the report of the Board of Trustees of the New Orleans Methodist Depository, property at 512 Camp Street for the Conference year of 1916, as follows:

We were fortunate enough to have the lower floor of this building rented to October 1st this year. You will note the revenue as shown by Treasurer's report herewith attached.

Fire occurred in the building adjourning this property, damaging the party wall and other portions of the building, for which we received from the Insurance Company \$525.60.

The gross revenue from the rental of the building amounted to \$550.00 and the net sum thus realized of \$223.61 is herewith enclosed.

The lower floor of this building is now vacant, and from the information we get from our rental estate agent it is liable to remain so for some time, due to the undesirability of this section of the building because of the great noise and vibration incident to the use of the machinery on the second floor.

The Board as a whole feels that it has been restricted in the management of this property and is now further restrained by reason of the resolution which was passed at the last Annual Conference embodied in the minutes on page 35. Therefore, in view of the fact that their authority in the administration of the affairs of this Board is so circumscribed, the members feel that they do no care to continue to serve longer.

This property is valuable and is becoming more so but the best results cannot be obtained as long as the upper floors are used for machinery which is running a greater portion of each day. The objection complained of was serious enough when the machinery was used for the sole purpose of printing the Advocate, but since a general job printing business is being conducted, the nuisance has become well high intolerable.

I am authorized to submit the resignation of each member of the Board, including the writer, and I shall therefore ask that the Conference appoint another Board of Trustees.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. CARRE.

New Orleans, La., November 1, 1916.

REPORT OF TREASURER BOARD OF TRUSTEES, NEW ORLEANS DEPOSITORY.

November 24, 1916.

To the Board of Trustees Louisiana Annual Conference N. O. Methodist Depository.

Dear Brethren: As Treasurer of your Board I report as follows for the past Conference year:

Receipts—

Cash Balance, 1915	\$ 38.05
Bills Payable	295.04
Fire Insurance	525.60
Rent, 11 months	550.00

\$1,408.69

Disbursed—

Storm Damage	\$ 97.50
Insurance, three years	132.00
Fire Damage	196.40
Bills Payable	290.29
State Taxes 1915	26.25
State Taxes, 1916	28.50
City Taxes, 1916	66.10
Plumbing	6.50
Interest	2.34
Attorneys Fees	10.00
Conference Claimants	223.61
Cash Balance	329.20

\$1,408.69

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. MEYER, Treasurer.

Pineville Cemetery.—J. M. Henry presented a paper from the special committee on the Pineville Cemetery, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PINEVILLE CEMETERY.

In pursuance of the resolution of the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, at its session at Shreveport, Louisiana, December 14, 1914, and found upon page 20 of the Conference Annual for said year, Rev. H. W. May, Presiding Elder of the Alexandria District, appointed a committee composed of Rev. Paul M. Brown, Messrs. T. F. Porter, G. H. Pierson, R. W. Winstead, and J. T. Sandlin, all members of the Quarterly Conference of the Natchitoches charge of the Louisiana

Conference. This committee met at Natchitoches, Louisiana, October 31, 1915, and passed the following resolution:

Whereas, the committee understands from representation of those informed that a certain lot of land upon which the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and parsonage in Pineville, Louisiana, is located has been used for the double purpose of church and parsonage lot and cemetery, and that for a number of years the church and parsonage have been kept up by one organization and the cemetery by another, viz., by the Board of Trustees of the Pineville charge and the Cemetery Association.

Further, we find from the original deed of the property, a copy of which is before us, that the ownership of said property lies in the Louisiana Annual Conference; therefore, be it resolved, that we recommend to the Louisiana Annual Conference the following disposition of the property as an equitable adjustment of all matters at issue, viz., that the Louisiana Annual Conference instruct the Board of Trustees of said Conference, otherwise known as the Legal Conference, to deed the following described portion of the property to the Board of Trustees of the Pineville Charge or their legal successors, viz., a certain lot or parcel of ground, having a front on Cemetery Street or road, of one hundred (100) feet and running back between parallel lines a distance of four hundred (400) feet, more or less, and being the western portion of the parcel of ground donated to this vendor as hereinafter set out, and being also the portion of the said tract lying without the inclosure, the lot of ground in the southwestern corner of the said enclosure having a front of ninety feet on the street between the church property and the Rapides Cemetery and running back a depth of two hundred feet between parallel lines on the street behind the present parsonage, and also a lot upon which the church is situated and next to the one last described having a front of seventy feet on the street between the church property and the Rapides Cemetery and running back between parallel lines a depth of one hundred and forty-six feet, also a lot next to the one last described, having a front of seventy feet on the street between the church property and the Rapides Cemetery and running back between parallel lines a depth of one hundred and forty-six feet.

Further, that the Louisiana Annual Conference instruct its Board of Trustees to deed the remaining portion of ground in the present enclosure and described in the deed made by T. N. Madcox of the Louisiana Annual Conference on the 21st day of March, 1873, to the Cemetery Association above mentioned when said Association shall become legally incorporated under the laws of Louisiana and shall provide in its Constitution that all vacancies occurring by death or otherwise in the Association shall be filled by the Quarterly Conference of the First Methodist Church, South, of Alexandria, Louisiana.

(Signed) Paul M. Brown, Thomas F. Porter, G. H. Pierson, H. W. Winstead,
J. T. Sandlin. J. M. HENRY, Chairman.

Report of Committee on District Conference Records.—A. J. Gearheard presented the report of the Committee on District Conference Records, which was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

The District Conference records of all the Districts were before us and have been duly examined. We find the following:

The Alexandria Record is neatly and accurately kept, but lacks an official roll of the District.

The Baton Rouge District record is neatly and accurately kept, but lacks the official roll, and some reports are pasted in, instead of being copied. We hold that the life of and adhesive nature of paste endangers the permanency of such a method of reserving records, and, therefore, all reports should be copied.

The Lafayette District Record lacks the distinction between the lay and clerical members of the Conference in the official roll, but is in other ways in good condition.

The Monroe District Record lacks marginal references, which injures its value as a book of reference. Its official roll is designated as the roll of lay members, and the names of clerical members are enrolled therein. This record also pastes in its reports instead of copying them.

The New Orleans District record is neatly kept and is in first class condition in every respect.

The Ruston District Record is a model of neatness, order and completeness.

The Shreveport District Record has no marginal references. There is no appen-

dix, and one cannot tell whether there were any written reports. These minutes are so much run in, that the reader cannot tell by the method of paragraphing where one subject ends and another begins.

A. J. GEARHEARD, for Committee.

Invitation to the General Board of Church Extension.—The following preamble and resolution, inviting the General Board of Church Extension to hold its 1917 meeting in New Orleans was presented by K. W. Dodson, and adopted as follows:

INVITATION TO THE GENERAL BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

Whereas, the General Board of Church Extension has been meeting in different cities through the South, and

Whereas, the General Board has never met within the bounds of the Louisiana Annual Conference, and,

Whereas, the General Board has considerable investments in the city of New Orleans, and,

Whereas, it would interest the members of the General Board of Church Extension in our work at New Orleans to meet in that City.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Louisiana Annual Conference do invite the General Board of Church Extension to hold its 1917 Annual meeting in the City of New Orleans, Louisiana, and that said Board be urged to hold its 1917 meeting in the City of New Orleans.

K. W. DODSON,
R. H. WYNN,
ROBERT C. RANDLE,
W. W. HOLMES,
WILLIAM SCHUHLE.

Committee on Prison Reform.—The following Committee on Prison Reform was nominated by W. W. Holmes for the Presiding Elders and elected:

Committee on Prison Reform—J. L. Sutton, H. S. Johns, H. W. Bowman, C. A. Battle, and H. H. White.

Question 18.—Question 18 was called: Who are located this year?

H. B. Carré at his own request, made in person, was located.

Ministerial Character Committee in Case of W. T. Woodward.—Question 22 was called: Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

The Committee of Investigation in the case of W. T. Woodward reported no trial necessary. His character was passed.

Report of Committee on Temperance.—The report of the Committee on Temperance was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

There is nothing discourages the friends of prohibition in the progress that this great movement is making throughout the United States. Of the forty-eight States of the Union twenty-six have suppressed the traffic and others are moving in the same direction. We are thankful to God that at the last General Council of the Episcopal Church, recently held in St. Louis, an emphatic protest was made against the use and manufacture of intoxicants. This action is accordant with the attitude of the other Protestant Churches of America, and arrays in solid phalanx the predominant Christian forces of the country against the saloon. The great lesson which the warring nations is teaching the world against the use of intoxicating liquors is doing much toward arousing and crystalizing conviction against the traffic in our own country. The disastrous effects of the saloon on the morals and bodies of the people are unanimously conceded, and the millions who are addicted to strong drink recognize the liquor business to be a public nuisance as well as a menace to the welfare of the country. The political influence of the liquor men, and the power they exercise at the polls throughout the country appeal to every self respecting legislator and public official to assert independence of a disposition so corrupt and oppressive and humiliating. The ultimate overthrow of the saloon and liquor business is inevitable. Everything depends on patient,

persistent and united effort on the part of the prohibitionists. Of the 64 parishes in the State of Louisiana, 34 are dry. Three other parishes with the exception of one ward in each of them are dry. The Near Beer Bill prohibiting the sale of malt liquors whether containing alcohol or not in all dry parishes has become law.

Resolved, That the Louisiana Conference now in session request our Senators and Representatives in Congress to vote to prohibit the sale of intoxicants in the District of Columbia and to prohibit the use of the United States mails by the Liquor traffic.

Resolved, That we request the preachers of the Louisiana Conference to open their pulpits to the Superintendent of the Louisiana Anti-Saloon League and give all practicable co-operation in furthering his work.

Resolved, That the Louisiana Conference request the presiding Bishop to appoint Rev. A. W. Turner as the Superintendent of the Louisiana Anti-Saloon League.

S. H. WERLEIN,
J. M. ALFORD.

Resolution in Relation to State Fair.—The following resolution in relation to the Louisiana State Fair was adopted:

RESOLUTION IN RELATION TO STATE FAIR.

Whereas, The State Fair of Louisiana is growing in interest and numbers in attendance from year to year, and that the largest attendance any one day is on the Holy Sabbath; and

Whereas, The Fair embraces only six days, as compared with eight days in previous years; therefore, be it resolved:

First—That we respectfully and earnestly request the State Fair Association to open the gates on Monday and close them on Saturday, so that the Holy Sabbath may not be thus desecrated.

Second—That a copy of these resolutions be sent to W. R. Hirsch, President-Secretary of the Fair Association, Shreveport, Louisiana.

I. T. REAMES,
W. W. DRAKE,
W. D. KLEINSCHMIDT,
H. T. CARLEY,
A. C. SEARCY.

Report of the Joint Board of Finance.—The reports of the Joint Board of Finance was read and adopted as follows:

REPORT NUMBER 1—JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

The assessments for the year 1917 are as follows:

For Bishops	\$1,791.00
For Conference Claimants	7,000.00
For Superannuate Endowment Fund	1,200.00
For Minutes	500.00
For General Conference Expense	1,232.00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Received from Pastoral Charges	\$4,396.00
Received from Legal Conference	750.00
Received from Superannuate Endowment Fund	181.50
Received from Publishing House	330.00
Received from Colvin Fund	13.00
Received from C. W. Blair as a special	50.00

Total received for Conference Claimants \$5,720.50

DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS.

J. F. Wynn	\$240.00
R. S. Isbell	240.00
F. G. Hocutt	125.00
M. G. Jenkins	150.00

J. H. Brown	250.00
J. L. P. Sheppard	250.00
H. Armstrong	200.00
J. F. Patterson	225.00
T. S. Randle	240.00
R. A. Davis	240.00
F. N. Sweeney	175.00
J. T. Sawyer	240.00
L. I. McCain	100.00
C. F. Staples	100.00
Mrs. T. B. White	125.00
Mrs. J. D. Adams	160.00
Mrs. P. M. Goodwin	200.00
Mrs. J. L. Borden	100.00
Mrs. W. Weimar	100.00
Mrs. J. W. Medlock	130.00
Mrs. G. N. Liverman	130.00
Mrs. G. E. Green	125.00
Mrs. Jesse Fulton	125.00
Mrs. E. W. Yancy	150.00
Mrs. E. B. Foust	140.00
Mrs. E. E. Riggs	125.00
Mrs. C. T. Munholland	125.00
Mrs. R. C. Grace	125.00
Mrs. J. M. Franklin	50.00
Mrs. M. C. Manley	140.00
Mrs. S. H. Whatley	160.00
Mrs. H. O. White	155.00
Mrs. B. F. White	50.00
Miss Mary Green	50.00
Wilson Moore's Son	50.00

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

Received for Conference Claimants	\$5,720.50
Received for Bishops	1,060.00
Received for Minutes	354.50
Received for Superannuate Endowment Fund	539.00
Received for General Conference Expense	8.00
Total Received	<u>\$7,682.00</u>

Paid Conference Claimants	\$5,440.00
Paid Sinking Fund	280.50
Paid Bishops	1,060.00
Paid Superannuate Endowment Fund	539.00
Paid Minutes	354.50
Paid General Conference Expense	8.00

Total Amount Paid \$7,682.00

SINKING FUND ACCOUNT.

Balance on hand from 1915	\$333.02
Paid J. A. Parker	75.00
Paid M. G. Jenkins	50.00
Paid L. I. McCain	50.00
Paid H. Armstrong	40.00

Balance on hand November 22, 1916 \$118.02
 Paid Sinking Fund 280.50

Total Sinking Fund for 1917 \$398.52

REPORT NUMBER 2—JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

ASSESSMENTS.

District	For Bishop	Conference Claimants	Publishing Minutes.	Superannuate Endowment Fund	General Conference
Alexandria	\$258.00	\$1,010.00	\$72.00	\$173.00	\$177.00
Baton Rouge	264.00	1,031.00	74.00	176.00	182.00
Lafayette	249.00	973.00	69.00	167.00	170.00
Monroe	212.00	829.00	59.00	142.00	146.00
New Orleans	232.00	907.00	65.00	156.00	160.00
Ruston	294.00	1,147.00	82.00	197.00	202.00
Shreveport	282.00	1,103.00	79.00	189.00	195.00

J. D. HARPER, President.

R. S. WALTON, Secretary.

REPORT NUMBER 3.

Since the appropriations were made the following amount has come in, \$223.61, from the Legal Conference, proceeds of the New Orleans Depository, which by order of this Board will later be prorated among the claimants.

J. D. HARPER, President.

R. S. WALTON, Secretary.

R. E. Brumby added to the Statistical Secretary's Force.—On nomination of R. W. Vaughan. R. E. Brumby was elected one of the assistants to the Statistical Secretary.

Introduction.—The Rev. B. F. Gehring, pastor of the Baptist Church, was introduced and happily responded to the Bishop's words of greeting.

Conference Lay Leaders Elected.—Question 51 was called: Who is elected Conference Lay Leader, and what is the report from the Committee on Lay Activities?

On nomination of the Board of Missions, W. S. Holmes, of Baton Rouge, was elected Conference Lay Leader.

The report on Lay Activities, it was announced would appear in connection with the Report of the Board of Missions.

Paper on Enforcement of Locke Law.—A paper was presented by S. H. Werlein with reference to the enforcement of the Locke Law, and by a unanimous rising vote adopted as follows:

RESOLUTIONS ON ENFORCEMENT OF LOCKE LAW.

The attention of the Louisiana Annual Conference is called to the fact that the decision of the lower court which was adverse to the suit of Miss Jean Gordon versus the New Orleans Business Men's Racing Association has been reversed by the Supreme Court and remanded to the lower court for a new trial. Miss Gordon entreed suit for the purpose of having a receiver appointed to examined into the legality of the business methods pursued by the Business Men's Racing Association and it is hoped that the suit will result in the dissolution of the Business Men's Racing Association and the suppression of Race Horse Gambling in the State of Louisiana.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Louisiana Annual Conference be requested to bring this matter to the attention of the Governor of the State of Louisiana, and that he be requested to invoke the power of his office to enforce the Locke Law.

S. H. WERLEIN,

K. W. DODSON,

C. A. BATTLE.

Additional Paragraph on Resolutions on Union.—Unanimous consent was given for the addition of the following paragraph of the paper on Union read by R. H. Wynn to be inserted in the paper of W. H. Coleman that had been adopted:

"Resolved, That we comply with the request of the Commissioners in observing with them the program of services and especially the Watch Night Meeting on December 31."

Approval of Minutes.—The Minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

Adjournment.—It was moved that we do now adjourn to meet at 7 o'clock this evening. The motion prevailed.

The doxology was sung the benediction was pronounced and Conference stood adjourned.

SIXTH DAY—EVENING SESSION.

Convening.—Pursuant to adjournment, Conference met at 7 p. m., in evening session of the sixth day, R. H. Wynn, by appointment of the Bishop, in the chair.

Devotional Service.—The opening devotional service consisted of singing Hymn 498,

"He leadeth me"

and prayer led by Robert Randle.

J. G. Snelling was recognized and spoke on the work of the Committee of Evangelism.

Bishop Hoss Takes the Chair.—Bishop Hoss at this time took the chair.

Report of the Conference Board of Missions.—The Report of the Conference Board of Missions was read and adopted in so far as it was subject to adoption as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The Board of Missions appointed a committee of three consisting of N. E. Joyner, S. H. Meyer, and C. C. Miller to confer with the Sunday School Board during 1917 with reference to co-operating in the support of a Sunday School Evangelist in the year 1918, said committee to report at the next meeting of the Mission Board. Your Board desires to give its hearty endorsement and encouragement to Rev. W. E. Thomas in the enterprises and profits contemplated in connection with St. Mark's Hall, New Orleans, for the better equipment of his work to meet the requirements of the large Italian and foreign population flowing into the city. This work is of the highest importance and we take great pleasure in calling your attention to it.

The Board would respectfully request our Bishop to appoint Rev. G. P. White to the Plaquemines and New Roads Mission, Rev. N. E. Joyner, Conference Missionary Secretary, and Mr. W. S. Holmes, Conference Lay Leader.

It was moved that the Treasurer of the Board once a quarter send to the Chairman of the Board a statement of the receipts for foreign and Home Missions for publication in the Advocate. Permit, us brethren, to call your attention to the Every Member Canvass. This is exceedingly important and highly necessary to your success. Please bear in mind the fact that China is continued as our Foreign Mission Special for 1917, and the Texas-Mexico Mission as the Home Mission Special. We would remind you that the week preceding Easter has been set apart for prayer and self-denial for the work of the General Board. Let us at this point emphasize most earnestly the law of the Discipline with reference to the missionary offerings of the Sunday School and their proper direction. This law is overlooked or violated so often that our General Board is greatly embarrassed, and we therefore incorporate the law in this report, as follows:

"Let one Sunday in the month, preferably the last be observed as Missionary Day in the Sunday School, and let the entire missionary offering of this day, together with all other missionary offerings, regular and special, made in the Sunday School, be a separate fund, and, designated "Missionary Offering in the Sunday School," let it be sent through the Conference Treasurer, handled and forwarded by him as a separate fund, to the Board of Missions for use in its general work; and let the amount raised for missions in the Sunday School be reported by the pastor in cash or voucher to the Annual Conference Journal."

The following apportionments have been made in the matter of the assessments for Home and Foreign Missions for the various districts:

	Foreign	Home and Conference
Alexandria	\$1,436.00	\$1,876.00
Baton Rouge	1,465.00	1,914.00
Lafayette	1,383.00	1,807.00
Monroe	1,178.00	1,539.00
New Orleans	1,289.00	1,685.00
Ruston	1,631.00	2,130.00
Shreveport	1,568.00	2,049.00
	<u>\$9,950.00</u>	<u>\$13,000.00</u>

We have received from the Auditing Board the following amounts:

Foreign Missions	\$4,969.00
Specials	337.00
	<u>\$5,301.00</u>
Home and Conference Missions	\$6,054.00
Cash Received before Conference	318.00
	<u>\$6,372.00</u>
Home Mission Special	\$ 13.00
Conference Mission Special	18.00
French Mission Special	13.00
	<u>\$ 49.00</u>

After deducting the percentage belonging to the Home Department of the General Board, we have after most careful consideration, appropriated the remainder as follows:

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

Natchitoches	\$600.00
Oberlin	100.00
Longville	50.00
Pineville	75.00
	<u>\$825.00</u>

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT.

Springfield	\$100.00
Gonzalez	200.00
Jackson	100.00
	<u>\$400.00</u>

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

Lafourche Mission	\$600.00
Evangeline Missions	250.00
Jennings Mission	150.00
	<u>\$1,000.00</u>

MONROE DISTRICT.

Tallulah and Newton	\$250.00
West Monroe	200.00
	<u>\$450.00</u>

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.

Epworth Church	\$400.00
Felicity	200.00
Louisiana Avenue	200.00
Covington	100.00
Second Church	125.00
Plaquemines	100.00
McDonoghville	100.00
Daisy	25.00
	<u>\$1,250.00</u>

RUSTON DISTRICT.

Alberta	\$75.00
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SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

Texas Avenue	\$250.00
Queensboro	300.00
Wesley	150.00
Ida	100.00
Coushatta	100.00
Cedar Grove	100.00

\$1,000.00

H. N. HARRISON, Secretary.

Permission to File Report of Treasurer of Board of Education.—W. W. Drake asked permission for the Treasurer of the Board of Education to file his report a little later for insertion in the Minutes. The permission was granted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts—

On hand after Conference, November, 1915	\$1,102.76	
Mansfield Bond	950.00	\$ 152.76
From W. W. Drake, \$250; and Thomas Carter, \$200, for Mansfield College		450.00
From Centenary Specials (W. S. Holmes, \$100; J. A. McCormick, \$1		101.00
From Brown Card Pledges		382.00
From Brown Card Pledges (Small Amounts)		16.00
From Centenary Collection at Baton Rouge (Cash)		406.20
From Education Assessment	5,557.00	
From Education Special	24.00	
Total Receipts		\$7,088.96

Disbursements—

To R. H. Wynn, Balance Due on Centenary Special	\$ 614.00
To R. H. Wynn, other Centenary Specials	101.00
To R. H. Wynn, from Brown Card Receipts	248.00
To R. H. Wynn, on 1916 Conference Appropriation for Centenary College	2,152.00
To Paul M. Brown, payment on Back Salary	300.00
To Expenses for 1916 (Battle \$11.50; Drake, \$43; Bishop, \$25)	79.50
To General Board of Education	858.00
Mansfield Bond and Interest, January, 1917	1,630.00
Interest on Mansfield Bonds, July, 1916	630.00

Total Disbursements \$6,612.50

Balance in Bank \$ 476.46

C. A. BATTLE, Treasurer.

Resolutions of Thanks.—A. I. Townsley read the following Resolution of Thanks which was adopted by a unanimous rising vote:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Christian Hospitality is one of the New Testament graces that we all love and enjoy. Such hospitality has been shown the members of the Louisiana Conference by the brethren of Baton Rouge. This Conference has never been more happily entertained.

Therefore, we desire to express our appreciation to the pastors, Reverends C. A. Battle and H. W. Cudd, and H. W. Bowman, Presiding Elder, and their courteous committees of laymen and women for providing for all our needs in their hospitable homes. To Dr. Charles McVea and the entertainment committee for the automobile ride to the Country Club and to the Standard Oil Plant.

To Mr. H. H. Ahrens and A. J. Gearheard for the full and accurate reports of our

proceedings in the "Times-Picayune and in the Daily States." To H. S. Johns, Baton Rouge State Times.

To the Adding Machine Company for the use of their machines and other courtesies. To the church organist, choir, Louisiana State University Glee Club for the music furnished. To Miss Stone, stenographer for gratuitous service. To the Capital City and other Banks for courtesies. To Rev. R. P. Schuler and Mr. J. D. Swaggerty for leading our evangelistic services.

We pray God's richest blessings upon the Baton Rouge Churches and upon the homes that have so hospitably entertained us.

A. INMAN TOWNSLEY,

H. N. HARRISON,

T. D. LIPSCOMB.

Location.—Question 18 was called: Who are to be located this year?

H. W. Bowman moved the location of Thomas Carter. The motion prevailed.

Dr. Carter made valedictory remarks upon the occasion of terminating his relation with the Conference as a traveling elder.

Resolution in Regard to Thomas Carter and Henry B. Carré.—The following resolution was passed:

Be it resolved, That in dissolving the relation that has hitherto existed between the Louisiana Annual Conference and Doctors Carter and Carré, the Conference hereby declare their deep affection and sincere admiration for these brethren; that we sorrow for the necessity that has brought about their location, bid them God speed and assure them that our prayers follow them with love.

F. S. PARKER,

JOHN F. FOSTER.

Approval of Minutes.—The Minutes of the Evening Session were read and approved.

Question 53.—Question 53 was called: Where are the preachers stationed this year?

The Bishop answered the question by the appointments; and the Conference stood adjourned *sine die*.

APPOINTMENTS.

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

Briscoe Carter, Presiding Elder.

Alexandria—W. H. Coleman; F. R. Hill,

P. H. Fontaine, Supernumeraries.

Boyce and Woodworth—J. W. Faulk.

Bunkie—J. M. Alford.

Bon Ami and Carson, S. L. Riggs.

Colfax and Montgomery—W. S. Henry.

Campti—E. L. Cargill.

De Ridder—P. M. Brown

Elizabeth and Fulton—To be supplied.

Glenmora and McNary—W. W. Perry.

Jena: Nolly Memorial and Jonesville—

J. O. Bennett.

LeCompte and Cheneyville—B. H. Sheppard.

Longville—J. S. Rutledge.

Merryville—J. W. Booth.

Natchitoches—J. W. Lee.

Oakdale—F. M. Freeman.

Oberlin and Reeves—A. J. Bennett.

Pineville and Meridian—R. V. Fulton.

Pollock—To be supplied.

Trout and Good Pine—W. F. Roberts.

Rapides Circuit—A. A. Phillips.

Selma and Rochelle—L. E. Crooks.

Standard—E. G. Wood.

Provencal—To be supplied by G. W. Bolton.

DeRidder Mission—To be supplied by E. S. Williams.

Indian Mission—To be supplied.

State Sunday School Secretary—C. V. Breithaupt.

District Commissioner for Representative Church—Briscoe Carter.

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT.

H. W. Bowman, Presiding Elder.

Amite—Alonzo Early.
 Baker—J. B. Fulton.
 Baton Rouge: First Church—C. A. Battle.
 Keener Memorial—H. W. Cudd.
 Clinton—A. J. Coburn.
 Denham Springs—To be supplied by P. S.
 Carpenter.
 Franklinton—J. A. McCormick.
 Franklinton Circuit—To be supplied.
 Gonzales—B. H. Andrews.
 Greensburg—Q. R. Henry.
 Hammond and Natalbany—L. I. McCain.
 Jackson—S. S. Bogan.

Kentwood—John Sholars.
 Olive Branch—J. L. Cady.
 Pine Grove—B. D. Watson.
 Ponchatoula—J. B. Williams.
 Springfield—To be supplied by H. C. Mur-
 phy.
 Wilson—J. L. Evans.
 Zona—W. R. McPherson.
 Zachary—J. J. Kelly.
 Chaplain State Penitentiary—H. S. Johns.
 Conference Evangelist—H. T. Young.
 District Commissionery for Representative
 Church—H. W. Bowman.

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

H. W. May, Presiding Elder.

Abbeville—J. I. Hoffpauir.
 Crowley—R. W. Tucker.
 Eunice—A. A. Bernard.
 Evangeline Mission—H. B. Thomason.
 Franklin—H. N. Harrison.
 Gueydan—J. H. Hoffpauir.
 Houma Mission—G. A. Morgan.
 Indian Bayou—G. D. Anders.
 Jennings and West Lake—C. F. Staples.
 Lafayette—William Schuhle.
 Lake Arthur and Bell City—J. D. Nesom.
 Lake Charles—N. E. Joyner.
 Lafourche Mission—To be supplied by A.
 D. Martin.

Melville—H. B. Vandenburg.
 Morgan City—I. T. Beck.
 New Iberia—H. N. Brown.
 Opelousas—J. D. Harper.
 Patterson and Jeanerette—F. B. Hill.
 Rayne—C. E. Flke.
 Sulphur and Vinton—Louis Hoffpauir.
 St. Martinsville—To be supplied.
 French Mission—Martin Hebert, Superin-
 tendent.
 Missionary Secretary—N. E. Joyner.
 District Commissioner for Representative
 Church—H. W. May.

MONROE DISTRICT.

A. S. Lutz, Presiding Elder.

Bastrop and Collinston—O. L. Tucker.
 Bonita—A. D. George.
 Brooklyn—To be supplied by S. J. McLean.
 Calhoun—J. L. Lay.
 Columbia—T. J. Warlick.
 Eros—J. W. Waltman.
 Farmerville—Robert Randle.
 Gilbert—J. R. Roy.
 Lake Providence—C. C. Miller.
 Mangham—R. H. Bamberg; S. W. B. Col-
 vin, Junior preacher.
 Mer Rouge and Oak Ridge—W. R. Harvell.

Monroe—E. K. Means.
 Oak Grove—W. T. Woodward.
 Ouachita Mission—To be supplied by W.
 W. Lantrip.
 Rayville and Delhi—I. T. Reames.
 Sicily Island—W. J. Porter.
 Tallulah and Newelton—D. C. Barr.
 Waterproof—George Fox.
 West Monroe—A. S. J. Neill.
 Winnsboro—S. D. Howard.
 District Commissioner Representative
 Church—A. S. Lutz.

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT.

W. W. Holmes, Presiding Elder.

Angie-Tallisheek Circuit—To be supplied
 by R. F. Flowers.
 Bogalusa—A. I. Townsley.
 Covington—J. M. Boykin.
 Donaldsonville and Vacharie—P. O. Low-
 rey.
 McDonoghville—W. A. Mangham.
 New Orleans: Algiers—C. C. Wier.
 Carrollton Avenue—A. F. Vaughan.
 Daisy—To be supplied.
 Epworth—C. M. Morris.
 Felicity—R. M. Brown.
 First Church—S. H. Werlein.

Second Church—J. A. Alford.
 St. Mark's Hall and Mary Werlein
 Mission—W. E. Thomas.
 St. Mark's Hall, Italian Preacher—G.
 V. Romano.
 Plaquemine and Pointe Coupee—G. P.
 White.
 Slidell—T. J. Embree.
 General Secretary—F. S. Parker.
 Professor in Emory University—F. N.
 Parker.
 Superintendent Orphan Boys' Home—
 J. L. Sutton.

Louisiana Avenue—A. J. Gearheard.
 Parker Memorial—R. H. Harper.
 Rayne Memorial—To be Supplied.*

District Commissioner Representative
 Church—W. W. Holmes.

*Rev. U. G. Foote was appointed pastor after Conference.

RUSTON DISTRICT.

J. M. Henry, Presiding Elder.

Alberta and Castor—To be supplied by F. P. Moss.
 Arcadia—T. H. Morris.
 Athens—W. D. Klienschmidt.
 Bernice—S. D. Roberts
 Bienville—W. F. Henderson, Jr.
 Cotton Valley—T. J. Holladay.
 Dubach—G. D. Purcell.
 Elmore—W. E. Akin.
 Gibbsland—C. F. Sheppard.
 Haynesville—J. G. Sloane.
 Houghton—T. L. Bryson.
 Homer—W. L. Doss, Jr.

Jonesboro—J. M. Brown.
 Minden—W. W. Dodson.
 Plain Dealing and Benton—C. B. Powell.
 Ringgold—To be supplied by J. F. Dring.
 Ruston—J. C. Snelling.
 Sibley—A. L. Harper.
 Simsboro—R. W. Smith.
 Winnfield—R. S. Walton.
 Superintendent Methodist Orphanage—R. W. Vaughan.
 District Commissioner for Representative
 Church—J. M. Henry.

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT.

C. D. Atkinson, Presiding Elder.

Anacoco and Pickering—To be supplied by C. F. Starnes.
 Bayou LaChute—J. F. Foster.
 Belcher—J. C. Price.
 Bossier City and Wesley—H. W. Jamieson.
 Cedar Grove and Blanchard—S. J. Davies.
 Coushatta and Lake End—A. H. Parker.
 Grand Care—L. C. Wilson.
 Greenwood—J. C. Rousseaux.
 Ida Circuit—A. C. Searcy.*
 Leesville—V. D. Skipper.
 Legansport and Longstreet—H. B. Perritt.
 Mansfield—A. G. Shankle.
 Many and Gandy—J. L. Williams.
 Moorinsport—W. F. Henderson.
 Noble—R. T. Ware.
 Naborton and South Mansfield—F. J. McCoy.
 Pleasant Hill—T. D. Lipscomb.
 Pelican—F. R. Power.

Shreveport: First Church—S. A. Steel.
 Noel Memorial—W. W. Drake.
 Texas Avenue—L. N. Hoffpauir.
 Queensboro—H. W. Ledbetter.
 Vivian—E. T. Crews.
 Zwolle—S. S. Holladay.
 President Centenary College—R. H. Wynn.
 Professor in Centenary College—H. T. Carley.
 Commissioner of Representative Church,
 Washington, D. C.—George S. Sexton.
 Superintendent Anti-Saloon League—A. W. Turner.
 District Commissioner for Representative
 Church—C. D. Atkinson.
 Conference Secretary of Education, and
 Commissioner within the Conference
 for Southern Methodist University—
 W. W. Drake.

* Rev. A. C. Searcy transferring after Conference, Rev. E. B. Daniel was appointed.

Transferred: O. J. Chandler to Kentucky Conference; F. R. Hill, Jr., to West Texas Conference. E. E. HOSS, President.

FITZGERALD S. PARKER, Secretary.

CONDENSED MINUTES.

Question 1—Who are admitted on trial?

Answer—Burnett Daniel Watson, James Mitchell Boykin, Richard Thomas Ware, Quinton Randolph Henry.

Question 2—Who remain on trial?

Answer—A. L. Harper, E. G. Wood, A. A. Phillip, F. B. Hill, R. W. Smith, B. H. Andrews, J. L. Lay, A. C. Searcy.

Question 3—Who are discontinued?

Answer—None.

Question 4—Who are admitted into full connection?

Answer—William Ransom McPherson, James Lambuth Evans, Albert Dean George.

Question 5—Who are readmitted?

Answer—None.

Question 6—Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Answer—S. A. Steel, from Upper South Carolina Conference; C. F. Sheppard, from West Oklahoma Conference.

Question 7—Who are received from other Churches as local preachers?

Answer—George W. Bolton, a deacon from the M. E. Church; Wesley W. Lantrip, an elder from the M. E. Church.

Question 8—Who are received from other Churches as traveling preachers?

Answer—Alonzo Early, an elder from the Congregational Church.

Question 9—Who are the deacons of one year?

Answer—T. L. Bryson, W. A. Mangham, W. F. Henderson, Jr., W. F. Roberts.

Question 10—What traveling preachers are elected deacons?

Answer—William Ransom McPherson, James Lambuth Evans, Albert Dean George.

Question 11—What traveling preachers are ordained deacons?

Answer—William Ransom McPherson, James Lambuth Evans, Albert Dean George.

Question 12—What local preachers are elected deacons?

Answer—James Edward Craig, John Granberry Sawyer, Benjamin H. Andrews.

Question 13—What local preachers are ordained deacons?

Answer—James Edward Craig. (The others were not present for ordination.)

Question 14—What traveling preachers are elected elders?

Answer—Charles Edward Fike, James L. Cady, Jason Abraham Alford.

Question 15—What traveling preachers are ordained elders?

Answer—Charles Edward Fike, James L. Cady, Jason Abraham Alford.

Question 16—What local preachers are elected elders?

Answer—Frank Brooks Hill.

Question 17—What local preachers are ordained elders?

Answer—Frank Brooks Hill.

Question 18—Who are located this year?

Answer—M. C. Hoit, C. M. Thompson, W. J. Newsom, Henry Beach, Carré, Thomas Carter.

Question 19—Who are supernumerary?

Answer—Felix R. Hill, P. H. Fontaine.

Question 20—Who are superannuated?

Answer—R. S. Sabell, J. F. Wynn, F. G. Hocutt, J. H. Brown, J. L. P. Sheppard, H. Armstrong, J. F. Patterson, T. S. Randle, R. A. Davis, F. N. Sweeney, J. T. Sawyer, M. G. Jenkins, H. J. Boltz.

Question 21—What preachers have died during the past year?

Answer—J. A. Parker.

Question 22—Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Answer—Their names were called and their characters passed one by one. T. V. Peters had become a minister in the M. E. Church and W. B. Perritt withdrew from the ministry. Their names were dropped from the roll.

Question 23—What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference?

Answer—Local preachers 86, members 38,940.

Question 24—How many have been licensed to preach during the year, and have their names and addresses been furnished to the Department of Ministerial Supply and Training?

Answer—Seven. Two names sent in.

Question 25—How many candidates for the ministry are there, and have their names and addresses been furnished to the Department of Ministerial Supply and Training?

Answer—Nine. Five names sent in.

Question 26—How many infants have been baptized during the year?

Answer—949.

Question 27—How many adults have been baptized during the year?

Answer—1,338.

Question 28—What is the number of Epworth Leagues?

Answer—81.

- Question 29—What is the number of Epworth League members?
 Answer—2,219.
- Question 30—What is the number of Sunday schools?
 Answer—343.
- Question 31—What is the number of Sunday school officers and teachers?
 Answer—3,026.
- Question 32—What is the number of Sunday school scholars enrolled during the Conference year?
 Answer—32,674.
- Question 33—What amount was assessed by the last Conference for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers?
 Answer—\$7,000.
- Question 34—What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?
 Answer—\$4,508. Distributed to Claimants.
- Question 35—What has been contributed for Missions?
 Answer—Foreign, \$5,894; Home and Conference, \$6,568.
- Question 36—What has been contributed for Church Extension?
 Answer—\$3,251.
- Question 37—What has been contributed for Education?
 Answer—\$12,813.
- Question 38—What has been contributed for the American Bible Society?
 Answer—\$423.
- Question 39—What has been contributed for the support of presiding elders and preachers in charge?
 Answer—Presiding Elders, \$17,751; Preachers in Charge, \$119,047.
- Question 40—What has been contributed for the support of Bishops?
 Answer—\$1,061.
- Question 41—What is the number of societies, and of houses of worship owned by them?
 Answer—Number of Societies, 406; Number of Houses of Worship, 357.
- Question 42—What is the value of houses of worship, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?
 Answer—Value, \$1,419,310; Indebtedness, \$63,357.
- Question 43—What is the number of pastoral charges, and of parsonages owned by them?
 Answer—Pastoral Charges, 145; Number of Parsonages, 128.
- Question 44—What is the value of parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?
 Answer—Value, \$272,070; Indebtedness, \$21,037.
- Question 45—What is the number of districts, and of district parsonages?
 Answer—Number of Districts, 7; Number of District Parsonages, 6.
- Question 46—What is the value of district parsonages, and what is the amount of indebtedness thereon?
 Answer—Value, 29,000; Indebtedness, \$6,050.
- Question 47—What number of churches have been damaged or destroyed during the year by fire or storm, and what was the amount of damage?
 Answer—Number of Churches Damaged, 6; Amount of Damage, \$457.
- Question 48—What are the insurance statistics?
 Answer—Insurance Carried, \$650,725; Losses Sustained, \$457; Premiums Paid, \$4,690; Collections on Losses, \$1,023.
- Question 49—What are the educational statistics?
 Answer—Centenary College, Value \$130,000, Indebtedness \$2,000, Professors 6, Pupils 60. Mansfield College, Value \$75,000, Indebtedness \$20,000, Professors 12, Pupils 147.
- Question 50—How many copies of the General organ and of the Conference organ are taken?
 Answer—General Organ, 282; Conference Organ, 1,697.
- Question 51—Who is elected Conference Lay Leader, and what is the report from the Committee on Lay Activities?
 Answer—W. S. Holmes, Baton Rouge.
- Question 52—Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?
 Answer—Minden.
- Question 53—Where are the preachers stationed this year?
 Answer—(See Appointments.)

APPENDIX

CONFERENCE ROLL

Abbreviations used: R, Readmitted; T, Transfer; FC, Full Connection; MPC, Methodist Protestant Church; CPC, Cumberland Presbyterian Church; CMC, Congregational Methodist Church; MEC, Methodist Episcopal Church; BC, Baptist Church; Cong, Congregational Church.

Number	Name	Present Relation	How and When Admitted into Louisiana Conference	Ordained	
				Deacon.	Elder
1	Wynn, J. F.	Superannuated	FC., Dec., 1859....	1859	1865
2	Davis, R. A.	Superannuated	T., Jan., 1871....	1866	1870
3	Randle, Robert	Effective	FC., Jan., 1871....	1871	1873
4	Brown, J. M.	Effective	T., Jan., 1873....	1865	1867
5	Isbell, R. S.	Superannuated	FC., Jan., 1875....	1874	1875
6	Harper, J. D.	Effective	FC., Jan., 1875....	1873	1876
7	Randle, T. S.	Superannuated	FC., Jan., 1875....	1875	1877
8	Hocutt, F. G.	Superannuated	FC., Jan., 1875....	1870	1875
9	Patterson, J. F.	Superannuated	FC., Dec., 1876....	1876	1879
10	Sheppard, J. L. P.	Superannuated	FC., Dec., 1880....	1876	1882
11	Davies, S. J.	Effective	FC., Jan., 1886....	1884	1888
12	Barr, D. C.	Effective	FC., Jan., 1886....	1886	1888
13	Boltz, H. J.	Effective	FC., Jan., 1887....	1883	1888
14	Bennett, J. O.	Effective	T., Jan., 1888....	1886	1889
15	Armstrong, H.	Superannuated	T., Jan., 1888....	1877	1879
16	Parker, F. N.	Effective	FC., Jan., 1888....	1888	1889
17	Hoffpauir, J. I.	Effective	FC., Jan., 1888....	1885	1889
18	Johns, H. S.	Effective	FC., Jan., 1888....	1888	1889
19	May, H. W.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1888....	1888	1890
20	Parker, F. S.	Effective	T., Dec., 1889....	1887	1889
21	Henderson, W. F.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1889....	1883	1889
22	Porter, W. J.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1889....	1889	1891
23	Williams, J. B.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1889....	1889	1891
24	Brown, J. H.	Superannuated	T., Dec., 1890....	1833	1887
25	Foster, J. F.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1890....	1890	1892
26	Kelley, J. J.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1890....	1890	1893
27	Staples, C. F.	Superannuated	FC., Dec., 1890....	1890	1892
28	Schuhle, Wm.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1891....	1891	1893
29	Drake, W. W.	Effective	R., Dec., 1892....	1890	1893
30	Henry, J. M.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1892....	1891	1893
31	Crews, B. T.	Effective	T., Dec., 1893....	1880	1882
32	Jenkins, M. G.	Superannuated	T., Dec., 1893....	1861	1870
33	Sheppard, B. H.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1893....	1890	1895
34	Bogan, S. S.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1893....	1893	1895
35	Tucker, R. W.	Effective	T., Dec., 1894....	1890	1893
36	Brown, P. M.	Effective	T., Dec., 1894....	1893	1896
37	Wynn, R. H.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1894....	1893	1896
38	Lee, J. W.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1895....	1895	1898
39	Miller, C. C.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1896....	1896	1898
40	Vaughan, R. W.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1896....	1896	1898
41	Turner, A. W.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1898....	1898	1900
42	Neill, A. S. J.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1898....	1894	1901
43	Wier, C. C.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1898....	1893	1900
44	Lowrey, P. O.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1898....	1896	1900
45	Dodson, K. W.	Effective	T., Dec., 1899....	1892	1894
46	Sweeney, F. N.	Superannuated	FC., Dec., 1889....	1900	1902
47	Coburn, A. J.	Effective	T., Dec., 1900....	1899	1907
48	Purcell, G. D.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1900....	1898	1903
49	Hebert, Martin	Effective	FC., Dec., 1900....	1900	1904
50	Harvell, W. R.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1900....	1898	1906
51	Carter, Briscoe	Effective	T., Dec., 1901....	1889	1891
52	Atkinson, C. D.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1901....	1898	1903
53	Brown, H. N.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1901....	1901	1903
54	Sloan, J. G.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1901....	1901	1906
55	Roy, J. R.	Effective	T., Dec., 1902....	1892	1895

Name	Present Relation	How and when Ad- mitted into Louisi- ana Conference	Ordained	
			Dea- con.	Elder
56 Wilson, L. C.	Effective	T., Dec., 1903....	1891	1896
57 Warlick, T. J.	Effective	T., Dec., 1903....	1885	1887
58 Means, E. K.	Effective	T., Dec., 1903....	1902	1906
59 Bowman, H. W.	Effective	T., Dec., 1903....	1893	1895
60 Waltman, J. F.	Effective	MPC. Dec., 1903....	1899	1899
61 Cargill, E. L.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1903....	1903	1906
62 Kleinschmidt, W. D.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1903....	1902	1906
63 Hoffpauir, L. N.	Effective	MPC. Dec., 1904....	1901	1901
64 Howard, S. D.	Effective	CPC., Dec., 1904....	1890	1890
65 Riggs, S. L.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1904....	1904	1906
66 Coleman, W. H.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1904....	1904	1906
67 Nesom, J. D.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1904....	1904	1907
68 Fontaine, P. H.	Effective	T., Jan., 1906....	1898	1902
69 Sutton, J. L.	Effective	FC., Jan., 1906....	1902	1912
70 Rutledge, J. S.	Effective	FC., Jan., 1906....	1901	1907
71 Freeman, F. M.	Effective	FC., Jan., 1906....	1906	1908
72 Holmes, W. W.	Effective	FC., Jan., 1905....	1901	1907
73 Hill, Felix R.	Supernumerary	T., Dec., 1906....	1865	1867
74 Shankle, A. G.	Effective	T., Dec., 1906....	1897	1899
75 Vaughan, A. F.	Effective	T., Dec., 1906....	1901	1901
76 Lutz, A. S.	Effective	T., Dec., 1906....	1894	1902
76 Carley, H. T.	Effective	T., Dec., 1906....	1903	1906
77 Townsley, A. I.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1906....	1904	1908
79 Harrison, H. N.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1906....	1906	1908
80 Booth, J. W.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1906....	1904	1908
81 Holladay, T. J.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1907....	1907	1912
82 Fulton, J. B.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1907....	1907	1909
83 Harper, R. H.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1907....	1907	1909
83 Alford, J. M.	Effective	T., Dec., 1907....	1894	1902
85 Doss, Jr., W. L.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1908....	1903	1910
86 Sholars, John	Effective	FC., Dec., 1908....	1903	1910
87 Reames, I. T.	Effective	T., Dec., 1908....	1891	1893
88 Ledbetter, H. W.	Effective	T., Dec., 1908....	1899	1902
89 Skipper, V. D.	Effective	T., Dec., 1908....	1884	1887
90 Price, J. C.	Effective	CMC. Dec., 1908....	1908	1908
91 Holladay, S. S.	Effective	CMC. Dec., 1908....	1908	1908
92 Powell, C. B.	Effective	CMC. Dec., 1908....	1908	1908
93 Bonnett, A. J.	Effective	CMC. Dec., 1908....	1908	1908
94 Breithaupt, C. V.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1909....	1909	1911
95 McCoy, F. J.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1909....	1909	1911
96 Battle, C. A.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1909....	1909	1911
97 Morris, C. M.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1909....	1909	1911
98 Lipscomb, T. D.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1909....	1907	1913
99 Akin, Wm. E.	Effective	R., Dec., 1909....	1895	1898
100 McCain, L. I.	Effective	T., Dec., 1909....	1906	1911
101 Gearheard, A. J.	Effective	T., Dec., 1909....	1908	1911
102 Werlein, S. H.	Effective	T., Dec., 1909....	1879	1880
103 Sawyer, J. T.	Superannuated	R., Dec., 1910....	1875	1876
104 McCormack, J. A.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1910....	1910	1913
105 Waton, R. S.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1910....	1910	1912
106 Snelling, J. G.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1910....	1910	1912
107 Young, H. T.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1910....	1910	1912
108 Bamburg, R. H.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1910....	1910	1912
109 Crooks, L. E.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1910....	1910	1912
110 Perritt, H. B.	Effective	T., Dec., 1910....	1907	1909
111 Parker, A. H.	Effective	T., Dec., 1910....	1896	1897
112 Morgan, G. A.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1910....	1910	1912
113 Power, F. R.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1910....	1910	1912
114 Vandenburg, H. B.	Effective	T., Dec., 1907....	1894	1899

Number	Name	Present Relation	How and when Admitted into Louisiana Conference	Ordained	
				Deacon	Elder
115	Cudd, H. W.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1911....	1911	1913
116	Rousseaux, J. C.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1911....	1909	1913
117	Alford, J. A.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1911....	1911	1916
118	Faulk, J. W.	Effective	MEC. Dec., 1911....	1907	1912
119	Anders, G. D.	Effective	T., Dec., 1911....	1888	1893
120	Morris, T. H.	Effective	T., Dec., 1911....	1893	1895
121	Perry, W. W.	Effective	T., Dec., 1911....	1905	1907
122	White, G. P.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1912....	1892	1901
123	Jamieson, H. W.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1912....	1912	1914
124	Brown, R. M.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1912....	1912	1914
125	Fox, George	Effective	FC., Dec., 1912....	1912	1914
126	Embree, T. J.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1912....	1912	1914
127	Tucker, O. L.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1912....	1912	1914
128	Hoffpauir, J. H.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1912....	1912	1914
129	Woodward, W. T.	Effective	R., Dec., 1912....	1892	1903
130	Henry, W. S.	Effective	T., Dec., 1912....	1904	1906
131	Thomas, W. E.	Effective	T., Dec., 1912....	....	....
132	Fulton, R. V.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1913....	1913	1915
133	Hoffpauir, Louis	Effective	FC., Dec., 1913....	1913	1915
134	Roberts, S. D.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1913....	1913	1915
135	Bernard, A. A.	Effective	R., Dec., 1913....	....	....
136	Sexton, G. S.	Effective	T., Dec., 1913....	....	....
137	Mangum, W. A.	Fourth Year Class....	FC., Dec., 1914....	1914	....
138	Fike, C. E.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1914....	1914	1916
139	Cady, J. L.	Effective	FC., Dec., 1914....	1914	1916
140	Roberts, W. F.	Fourth Year Class....	FC., Dec., 1914....	1914	....
141	Thomason, H. B.	Effective	T., Dec., 1914....	....	....
142	Williams, J. L.	Effective	T., Dec., 1914....	....	....
143	Beck, I. T.	Effective	T., Dec., 1914....	1912	1914
144	Romano, G. V.	Effective	T., Dec., 1914....	....	....
145	Joyner, N. E.	Effective	T., Nov., 1915....	....	....
146	Henderson, Jr., W. F.	Fourth Year Class....	FC., Dec., 1915....	1914	....
147	Brvson, Thos. L.	Fourth Year Class....	FC., Dec., 1915....	1915	....
148	Colvin, S. W. B.	Effective	R., Dec., 1914....	....	....
149	McPherson, W. R.	Third Year Class....	FC., Nov. 1916....	1916	....
150	Evans, J. L.	Third Year Class....	FC., Nov. 1916....	1916	....
151	George, A. D.	Third Year Class....	FC., Nov. 1916....	1916	....
152	Steel, S. A.	Effective	T., Nov. 1916....	....	....
153	Sheppard, C. F.	Effective	T., Nov. 1916....	....	....
154	Earl, Alonzo	Effective	Cong, Nov. 1916....	....	....

ON TRIAL.

No	Name	Class	When Admitted
1	Harper, A. L.	Second Year Class....	1915
2	Wood, E. G.	First Year Class....	1915
3	Phillips, A. A.	Second Year Class....	1915
4	Hill, F. B.	Second Year Class (Elder 1916)....	1915
5	Smith, Robert W.	Second Year Class....	1915
6	Andrews, Benj. H.	Second Year Class....	1915
7	Lay, John L.	Second Year Class....	1915
8	Searcy, Arlington C.	First Year Class....	1915
9	Watson, Burnett D.	First Year Class....	1916
10	Boykin, James M.	First Year Class....	1916
11	Ware, Richard T.	First Year Class....	1916
12	Henry, Quinton R.	First Year Class....	1916

LAY DELEGATES.

Alexandria District—A. W. Bryant, H. H. White, R. R. Redditt, Noel Norwood.
 Baton Rouge District—H. C. Murphy, I. D. Wall, L. L. Upton, O. E. Townsend.
 Lafayette District—R. E. Brumby, A. Percy Holt, C. F. Starnes, W. B. Williamson.
 Monroe District—R. O. Randle, W. L. Calhoun, C. E. Faulk, W. R. Baker.
 New Orleans District—H. H. Ahrens, B. D. Tally, S. H. Meyer, Chas. O. Chalmers.
 Ruston District—P. K. Abel, J. F. Dring, N. R. Grigsby, L. M. Green.
 Shreveport District—S. H. Porter, A. J. Scott, J. M. Middleton, J. C. Foster.

 DIRECTORY

Name.	Charge or Conference Relation.	Postoffice Address.
Akin, Wm. E.	Elmore	Elmore
Alford, Jason A.	Second Church	New Orleans
Alford, J. Martin	Bunkie	Bunkie
Anders, Geo. D.	Indian Bayou	Indian Bayou
Armstrong, H.	Superannuate	Olla
Atkinson, Chas. D.	P. E. Shreveport District	Shreveport
Andrews, B. H.	Gonzales	Gonzales
Bamburg, R. H.	Mangham	Mangham
Barr, Daniel C.	Tallulah and Newellton	Tallulah
Battle, Chas. A.	First Church, Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge
Bennett, J. O.	Jena, Nolly M., and Jonesville	Jena
Beck, I. T.	Morgan City	Morgan City
Bogan, S. S.	Jackson	Jackson
Boltz, H. J.	Superannuate	
Bonnett, A. J.	Oberlin and Reeves	Oberlin
Booth, J. W.	Merryville	Merryville
Bowman, H. W.	P. E. Baton Rouge District	Baton Rouge
Boykin, James M.	Covington	Covington
Bolton, Geo. W.	Provencal	Provencal
Breithaupt, C. V.	State S. S. Secretary	Alexandria
Erown, H. N.	New Iberia	New Iberia
Brown, J. H.	Superannuate	Hodge
Brown, J. M.	Jonesboro	Jonesboro
Brown, Paul M.	De Ridder	De Ridder
Brown, Robert M.	Felicity	New Orleans
Bryson, Thos. L.	Haughton	Haughton
Bernard, A. A.	Eunice	Eunice
Cady, James L.	Olive Branch	
Cargill, E. L.	Campti	Campti
Carley, Henry T.	Prof. Centenary College	Shreveport
Carter, Briscoe	P. E. Alexandria District	Alexandria
Coburn, A. J.	Clinton	Clinton
Coleman, Wm. H.	Alexandria	Alexandria
Colvin, S. W. E.	Mangham Jr. Preacher	Mangham
Crooks, L. E.	Selma and Rochelle	Selma
Cudd, H. Wade	Keener Memorial	Baton Rouge
Crews, B. T.	Vivian	Vivian
Davies, Stephen J.	Cedar Grove	Shreveport
Davis, Robert A.	Superannuate	Park Place, Houston, Tex.
Dodson, K. W.	Minden	Minden
Doss, Wm. L., Jr.	Homer	Homer
Drake, W. Winans	Noel Memorial	Shreveport

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Embree, T. J.....	Slidell.....	Slidell
Evans, James L.....	Wilson.....	Wilson
Early, Alonzo.....	Amite.....	Amite
Faulk, J. W.....	Boyce and Woodward.....	Boyce
Fike, Charles E.....	Rayne.....	Rayne
Fontaine, Patrick H.....	Supernumerary.....	Alexandria
Foster, Jno. F.....	Bayou La Chute.....	Shreveport
Fox, George.....	Waterproof.....	Waterproof
Freeman, F. M.....	Oakdale.....	Oakdale
Fulton, Jesse B.....	Baker.....	Baker
Fulton, Robert V.....	Pineville and Meridian.....	Pineville
Gearheard, A. J.....	Louisiana Avenue.....	New Orleans
George, A. D.....	Bonita.....	Bonita
Harper, Jacob D.....	Opelousas.....	Opelousas
Harper, R. Henry.....	Parker Memorial.....	New Orleans
Harper, A. L.....	Sibley.....	Sibley
Harrison, Hadley N.....	Franklin.....	Franklin
Harvell, Wm. R.....	Mer Rouge and Oak Ridge.....	Mer Rouge
Hebert, Martin.....	French Mission.....	New Iberia
Henderson, Wm. F.....	Mooringsport.....	Mooringsport
Henderson, Wm. F., Jr.....	Bienville.....	Bienville
Henry, James M.....	P. E. Ruston District.....	Ruston
Henry, Walter S.....	Colfax and Montgomery.....	Colfax
Hill, Frank B.....	Patterson and Jeanerette.....	Patterson
Hill, Felix R.....	Supernumerary.....	Alexandria
Hocutt, Felix G.....	Superannuate.....	Biloxi, Miss.
Hoffpauir, J. I.....	Abbeville.....	Abbeville
Hoffpauir, J. H.....	Gueydan.....	Gueydan
Hoffpauir, Louis.....	Sulphur and Vinton.....	Sulphur
Hoffpauir, Lasty N.....	Texas Avenue.....	Shreveport
Holladay, S. S.....	Zwolle.....	Zwolle
Holladay, T. J.....	Cotton Valley.....	Shreveport
Holmes, Wm. W.....	P. E. New Orleans District.....	New Orleans
Howard, S. D.....	Winnsboro.....	Winnsboro
Henry, Quinton R.....	Greensburg.....	Greensburg
Isbell, R. S.....	Superannuate.....	Monticello, Ark.
Jamieson, Hugh W.....	Possier City and Wesley.....	Shreveport, P.O. Box 512
Jenkins, M. G.....	Superannuate.....	Mineola, Tex.
Johns, Henry S.....	Chaplain State Penitentiary.....	Baton Rouge
Joyner, Nicholas E.....	Lake Charles.....	Lake Charles
Kelly, Jeff. J.....	Zachary.....	Zachary
Kleinschmidt, W. D.....	Athens.....	Athens
Ledbetter, H. W.....	Queensboro.....	Shreveport
Lee, John W.....	Natchitoches.....	Natchitoches
Lipscomb, T. D.....	Pleasant Hill.....	Pleasant Hill
Lowrey, Perry O.....	Donaldsonville and Vacherie.....	Donaldsonville
Lutz, Albert S.....	P. E. Monroe District.....	Monroe
Lay, J. L.....	Calhoun.....	Calhoun
May, Harry W.....	P. E. Lafayette District.....	Lafayette
Mangum, W. A.....	McDonoghville.....	McDonoghville
McCain, Leon I.....	Hammond and Natalbany.....	Hammond
McCormick, J. A.....	Franklinton.....	Franklinton
McCoy, F. J.....	Naborton and Mansfield.....	Naborton
McPherson, Wm. R.....	Zona.....	Zona

Name.	Charge or Conference Relation.	Postoffice Address.
Means, E. K.....	Monroe.....	Monroe
Miller, Chas. C.....	Lake Providence.....	Lake Providence
Morgan, Gustave A....	Houma Mission.....	Houma
Morris, Chas. M.....	Epworth.....	New Orleans
Morris, Thos H.....	Arcadia.....	Arcadia
Neille, Albert S. J.....	West Monroe.....	West Monroe
Nesom, J. D.....	Lake Arthur and Bell City.....	Lake Arthur
Parker, A. H.....	Coushatta and Lake End.....	Coushatta
Parker, Franklyn N....	Prof. Emory University.....	Atlanta, Ga.
Parker, Fitzgerald S....	Secretary Epworth League.....	Nashville, Tenn.
Patterson, J. F.....	Superannuate.....	Uvalde, Texas
Perry, W. W.....	Glenmora and McNary.....	Glenmora
Perritt, H. B.....	Logansport and Longstreet.....	Logansport
Porter, Wm. J.....	Sicily Island.....	Sicily Island
Power, Frank R.....	Pelican.....	Pelican
Price, J. C.....	Belcher.....	Belcher
Powell, C. B.....	Plain Dealing and Benton.....	Plain Dealing
Phillips, A. A.....	Rapides Circuit.....	
Purcell, Geo. D.....	Dubach.....	Dubach
Randle, Robert.....	Farmerville.....	Farmerville
Randle, Thos. S.....	Superannuate.....	
Reames, Isaac T.....	Rayville and Delhi.....	Rayville
Riggs, Sam'l L.....	Bon Ami and Carson.....	Carson
Roberts, W. F.....	Trout and Good Pine.....	Good Pine
Roberts, S. D.....	Bernice.....	Bernice
Rousseaux, J. C.....	Greenwood.....	Greenwood
Roy, J. R.....	Gilbert.....	Gilbert
Ruttledge, J. S.....	Longville.....	Longville
Romano, G. W.....	St. Mark's Hall.....	New Orleans
Sawyer, Jno. T.....	Superannuate.....	New Orleans
Schuhle, Wm.....	Lafayette.....	Lafayette
Shankle, A. G.....	Mansfield.....	Mansfield
Sheppard, C. F.....	Gibbsland.....	Gibbsland
Sheppard, B. H.....	LeCompte and Cheneyville.....	Le Compte
Sheppard, J. L. P.....	Superannuate.....	Mansfield
Sholars, John.....	Kentwood.....	Kentwood
Skipper, Virgil D.....	Leesville.....	Leesville
Sloane, John G.....	Haynesville.....	Haynesville
Staples, Chas. F.....	Jennings' and West Lake.....	Jennings
Sutton, John L.....	Supt. Orphans' Home.....	New Orleans
Sweeney, F. N.....	Superannuate.....	
Sexton, Geo. S.....	Representative Church.....	Washington, D. C.
Smith, Robert W.....	Simsboro.....	Simsboro
Searcy, A. C.....	Ida.....	Ida
Steele, Sam A.....	First Church.....	Shreveport
Snelling, I. G.....	Ruston.....	Ruston
Thomas, Wm. E.....	St. Mark's Hall.....	New Orleans
Thomason, Hyder B....	Evangeline Mission.....	Bayou Chicot
Townsley, A. Inman....	Bogalusa.....	Bogalusa
Tucker, R. Wm.....	Crowley.....	Crowley
Tucker, Ollie L.....	Bastrop and Collingston.....	Bastrop
Turner, A. W.....	Anti-Saloon Secretary.....	Shreveport
Vandenburgh, H. B....	Melville.....	Melville
Vaughan, A. F.....	Carrollton.....	New Orleans
Vaughan, R. W.....	Supt. Conference Orphanage....	Ruston

Name.	Charge or Conference Relation.	Postoffice Address.
Waltman, J. F.....	Eros.....	Ercs
Walton, R. S.....	Winnfield.....	Winnfield
Watson, Burnette D....	Pine Grove.....	Pine Grove
Ware, Richard T.....	Noble.....	Noble
Warlick, T. J.....	Columbia.....	Columbia
Wier, Chas. C.....	Algiers.....	New Orleans
Werlein, S. Halsey....	First Church.....	New Orleans
White, G. P.....	Plaquemine & Point Coupee....	Plaquemine
Williams, J. Bloss.....	Ponchatoula.....	Ponchatoula
Williams, J. L.....	Many and Gandy.....	Many
Wilson, L. C.....	Grand Cane.....	Grand Cane
Woodworth, W. T.....	Oak Grove.....	Oak Grove
Wynn, John F.....	Superannuate.....	Crowley
Wynn, Robert H.....	President Centenary College...	Shreveport
Wood, E. G.....	Standard.....	Standard
Young, Henry T.....	Conference Evangelist.....	

LOCAL PREACHERS SERVING AS SUPPLIES.

Name.	Charge.	Postoffice.
Bolton, G. W.....	Provencal.....	Provencal
Carpenter, P. S.....	Denham Springs.....	Denham Springs
Dring, J. F.....	Ringgold.....	Ringgold
Flowers, R. F.....	Augie-Tallisheek.....	Bush
Lantrip, W. W.....	Ouachita Mission.....	
Martin, A. D.....	Lafourche Mission.....	Raceland
McLean, S. J.....	Brooklyn.....	Brooklyn
Murphy, H. C.....	Sprinkfield.....	Springfield
Moss, F. P.....	Alberta and Castor.....	Chestnut
Williams, E. S.....	De Ridder Mission.....	De Ridder
Starnes, C. F.....	Anacoco and Pickering.....	Anacoco

DIRECTORY OF LOCAL PREACHERS.

Alexandria District—	Order.	Postoffice.
Bennett, D. C.....	Elder.....	De Ridder
Coorpender, R. O....	Licentiate.....	Alexandria
Montgomery, J. H....	Deacon.....	Melville
Lantrop, W. W.....	Elder.....	Grayson
Hayes, D. D.....	Deacon.....	Kinder
Parker, W. F.....	Licentiate.....	Jena
Whatley, W. R.....	Elder.....	Provencal
Williams, E. S.....	Elder.....	Bon Ami
French, J. H.....	Elder.....	Carson
Vallery, E. J.....	Elder.....	Ball
Baton Rouge District—		
Burgess, T. M.....	Deacon.....	Amite
Carpenter, P. S.....	Licentiate.....	Denham Springs
Carroll, W. H.....	Elder.....	Hall
Craig, J. E.....	Licentiate.....	Pride
Fayard, E. D.....	Deacon.....	Springfield
Hart, B. F.....	Deacon.....	Chesbrough
Methvin, J. E.....	Licentiate.....	Pine Grove
Murphy, H. C.....	Deacon.....	Springfield
Petty, P. S.....	Elder.....	Wilson
Powell, W. A.....	Deacon.....	Liverpool
Vetters, C. B.....	Licentiate.....	Kentwood
Harrell, O. H.....	Licentiate.....	Varnado
Lafayette District—		
Bernard, Robert....	Licentiate.....	New Iberia
Duplanti, E. V.....	Licentiate.....	Shreveport
Faulk, Henry.....	Licentiate.....	Crowley, R. F. D. 1

Lafayette District—	Order.	Postoffice.
Hines, H. B.....	Elder.....	Rayne
Howell, R. P.....	Elder.....	Lake Charles
Knight, William....	Licentiate.....	Bourg
Martin, A. D.....	Licentiate.....	Acaceland
Martin, R. E.....	Deacon.....	Bourg
Knight, James.....	Licentiate.....	Bourg
Hoffpauir, A. R....	Elder.....	Estherwood
Billey, W. B.....	Elder.....	West Lake
Stine, Ed.....	Licentiate.....	Grand Chenier
Thornton, L. C....	Deacon.....	West Lake
Zook, M. L.....	Licentiate.....	Lake Charles
Monroe District—		
Burkitt, Phillip....	Deacon.....	Eros, R. F. D. 1
Fordham, Dennis....	Elder.....	Chatham, R. F. D. 2
Fordham, Jerry....	Elder.....	Chatham, R. F. D. 2
Foreman, R. C....	Licentiate.....	Marion
Grice, E. G.....	Elder.....	Calhoun
Hatfield, W. H....	Elder.....	Winnsboro
Hunnicutt, M. H....	Deacon.....	Rayville
Inabnett, W. B....	Deacon.....	Lapine
Killingsworth, W. R.	Deacon.....	Eros, R. F. D. 1
Reneau, Thomas....	Elder.....	Oak Grove
Taylor, J. A.....	Deacon.....	Oak Grove
New Orleans District—		
Ahrens, H. H.....	Elder.....	New Orleans
Evans, W. G.....	Elder.....	New Orleans
Palmasano, A.....	Licentiate.....	New Orleans
Schroeder, R. L....	Licentiate.....	New Orleans
Seegers, S. A.....	Licentiate.....	New Orleans
Stafford, J. H....	Licentiate.....	New Orleans
Ruston District—		
Anders, D. F.....	Licentiate.....	Goodwill
Banks, H. M.....	Elder.....	Vernon
Dring, J. F.....	Licentiate.....	Ringgold
Fordham, Willis....	Licentiate.....	Cotton Valley
Hamil, W. L.....	Deacon.....	Homer
Manley, J. M.....	Deacon.....	Gibbsland
Martin, T. J.....	Elder.....	Ringgold
Moncrief, M. W....	Licentiate.....	Gibbsland
Moss, F. P.....	Licentiate.....	Chestnut
Napper, J. E.....	Licentiate.....	Hico
Wafer, T. M.....	Deacon.....	Ruston
Nicholson, W. W..	Deacon.....	Haughton
Shreveport District—		
Barlow, A. O. D....	Licentiate.....	Logansport
Boazeman, Robert..	Licentiate.....	Pelmont
Boyd, John.....	Licentiate.....	Campti
Carroway, W. R....	Elder.....	Logansport
Edwards, T. S.....	Elder.....	Grand Cane
Franklin, John....	Deacon.....	Anacoco
Griffin, D. L.....	Elder.....	
Pipes, T. W.....	Deacon.....	Shreveport
Posey, O. M.....	Deacon.....	Shreveport
Roberts, G. C.....	Deacon.....	Leesville
Wright, R. T.....	Deacon.....	Anacoco
Daniel, E. B.....	Licentiate.....	Ida
Moll, Earl B.....	Licentiate.....	Shreveport
Bowdon, J. H.....	Licentiate.....	Shreveport
McLean, C. E.....	Licentiate.....	Shreveport
Swaggerty, J. D....	Licentiate.....	Shreveport
Sawyer, J. G.....	Licentiate.....	Shreveport
Lennard, O. L.....	Licentiate.....	Mooringsport
Champion, H. A. L..	Licentiate.....	Logansport

CONFERENCE CLASSES FOR 1917.

First Year—B. D. Walton, J. M. Boykin, Richard T. Ware, Q. R. Henry.

Second Year—A. L. Harper, E. G. Wood, A. A. Phillips, F. B. Hill, R. W. Smith
B. H. Andrews, J. L. Lay, A. C. Searcy.

Third Year—J. L. Evans, A. D. George, Wm. R. McPherson.

Fourth Year—T. L. Bryson, W. A. Mangum, W. F. Henderson, Jr., W. F. Roberts.

CONFERENCE AND CONNECTIONAL ASSESSMENTS.

District	Foreign Missions	Home and Conference Missions	Support of Bishops	Conference Claimants	Superannuate End. Fund	Printing Minutes	American Bible Society	Church Extension	Education.	General Conference Expenses
Alexandria	\$1436	\$1876	\$258	\$1010	\$173	\$72	\$100	\$861	\$1716	\$177
Baton Rouge	1465	1914	264	1031	176	74	101	879	1749	182
Lafayette	1383	1867	249	973	167	69	96	830	1653	170
Mouroe	1178	1539	212	829	142	59	82	707	1412	146
New Orleans	1239	1685	232	907	156	65	90	775	1540	160
Ruston	1631	2130	294	1147	197	82	110	978	1947	202
Shreveport	1563	2049	282	1103	189	79	108	940	1873	195
Total	\$9956	\$13000	\$1791	\$7006	\$1200	\$500	\$687	\$5970	\$11890	\$1232

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CONFERENCE RULES**REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS.**

Resolved, That all resolutions, memorials and reports of boards and committees coming before the Conference be submitted in duplicate.
 Adopted in New Iberia in 1901.

AUDITING BOARD.

Resolved, That the Auditing Board be required to read to the Conference on the second day of each session the names of all preachers whose statistical reports have not been presented by that time.
 Adopted in 1910.

ASSESSMENT RULES.

Resolved, That whereas the Louisiana Annual Conference has adopted a resolution ordering that the amount apportioned to each district be distributed among the various charges in proportion to the membership and the amount paid for ministerial support during the past quadrennium, we hereby memorialize the Louisiana Annual Conference that said distribution in the several districts be based upon both the membership and the amount paid for ministerial support of the preceding year instead of the preceding quadrennium as heretofore; and that the Secretary of the Annual Conference be required to furnish data to each of the presiding elders in order that the said divisions may be made.

And that all resolutions with reference to the distribution of the assessments in conflict with the above resolution be, and are hereby repealed.

Adopted in 1911.

WIDOWS AND DECEASED PREACHERS.

Resolved, That the names and postoffice addresses of the widows of the deceased members of this Conference be added to the Conference Roll, as published in the Minutes.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Joint Board of Finance be requested to write to each of these widows, requesting her to give a statement in regard to her temporal circumstances and those dependent upon her, for the information of said Board.

Adopted in 1896.

DATA FOR MEMOIRS.

Whereas, our Committee on Memoirs have usually found great difficulty in obtaining data at the seat of Conference for suitable memoirs of brethren who have died during the year, therefore be it

Resolved, That in the case of the death of a member of this Conference, or the wife of a member, or of a deceased member, the Presiding Elder in whose district the deceased belonged, be requested to appoint some suitable person to secure the necessary data for a suitable memoir of said deceased for the Committee before the session of the Conference.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Be it Resolved, That each church securing assistance from the Church Extension Board shall be required to secure the refunding of the sum donated in the event of the property being alienated from the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, by entering and recording a mortgage for the sum donated.

Adopted at Baton Rouge in 1900.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE.

Resolved. That the District Conference shall be composed in addition to members prescribed in the Discipline, Paragraph 70, of four laymen to be elected by the quarterly conference of each charge.

Baton Rouge, Nov. 1916.

EDITORS OF STATISTICS AND REPORTS.

Be it Resolved, That on nomination of the Statistical Secretary an editor of statistical reports for each district be elected, whose duty it shall be to correct errors, if any, in form and additions of figures so that the reports may be entered without delay by the Statistical Secretaries.

Be it further Resolved, That every pastor be urged to have his statistical reports in the hands of the Statistical Secretary by the end of the first day of the Conference session and that any brother failing to comply with this rule be publicly called upon for his report.

Be it further Resolved, That the rule requesting reports to be filed by the close of the second day be hereby rescinded.

M E M O I R S

ALPHEUS WATERS WILSON.

Alpheus Waters Wilson was born to the Rev. Norval Wilson and Cornelia L. Howland in the city of Baltimore, Maryland, February 5, 1834. He was educated at Columbia (now George Washington) University, and entered the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1853. Four years he served as junior preacher and two more as pastor of circuits. He served an apprenticeship, from which he graduated a master indeed.

In 1857 he married Miss Susan B. Lipscomb, his life companion and helpmeet, who preceded him but a few years in the church triumphant.

From 1859 to 1870 Mr. Wilson was a supernumerary member of the Conference, ill health causing him to take this relation. During part of the time he practiced law, demonstrating that the highest success was within his reach in this noble profession; but as soon as possible he returned to the pastoral ministry, where his heart had always been.

The history of the Baltimore Conference following the period of the Civil War is that of heroic adherence to principle at the cost of all things. No truer or more complete sacrifice of self was made by the Scottish ministers who formed the Free Church in the days of Chalmers, McCosh and Guthrie. They left their churches, parsonages and salaries for conscience sake, and in 1866 a majority of the Conference declared its adherence to the cause of the Southern Methodist Church and was received as an organization. Dr. Wilson's leadership in these trying times was both wise and courageous.

In 1870-'73, Dr. Wilson was presiding elder of the Washington District; in 1873-'77, pastor of Mount Vernon Place Church, Washington City; and from March, 1877, to May, 1878, he was pastor of Calvary Church, Baltimore.

In 1878 he became Secretary of the Board of Missions, then impoverished and ill-organized. He spared not himself in the huge undertaking of creating a missionary conscience throughout the Church. He stirred the Annual Conferences by his mighty eloquence and initiated the advance movement that has gone on with increasing force and volume to this day.

In 1882 he was elected Bishop. From the retirement of Bishop Keener in 1898 to his death in 1906 he was Acting Senior Bishop.

As a Bishop Dr. Wilson attained his greatest effectiveness. His greatness as a preacher would have lacked its appropriate field within the limitations of a pastoral charge. He had not the talents of a Beecher or a Spurgeon; his appeal was not of the popular kind, nor was his range in preaching so wide as that of great pastors. Intensity, sublimity, prophetic insight, fervor of spirit, command of Biblical material, perfect diction, a voice of marvellous richness and reach, combined to make of him a very great preacher, especially to preachers. Bishop Hoss declares that he was the greatest preacher he has ever heard. The late Bishop Tigert, if under appointment to preach at a subsequent service the same day, would avoid hearing him because of the emotional reaction that he thought unfitted him for preaching. His parting message to the General Conference contains the following self-interpretation: "Through it all (that is, his ministry of sixty years) I have tried, first of all, to maintain the character of a Methodist preacher, than which there is none higher on earth. I have sought to preach the gospel, only the gospel: I have not cared for side issues that have been raised. I have paid little attention to opposition of the world. I have implicit faith in the power of the truth when it makes its appeal to the consciences of men in the sight of God, and I have drawn my lessons and my inspirations from the word of God and from that only."

Bishop Wilson was a great administrator as well as a wonderful preacher. He seemed without effort to understand every situation. He was the readiest of men. Nothing disturbed his poise or provoked him to hasty utterance. He journeyed around the world thrice, visiting the missions of his own church and other churches. Thrice again did he visit the Orient to see how his brethren did there in every city. Once he visited South America; and several times, whether as Missionary Secretary or Bishop, he visited Mexico.

He did not succeed well as a writer. Composition was laborious to him and the mechanical use of the pen irked him. He read extensively and was well informed on

many subjects, especially theological; but his contribution to the thought of the world was through his sermons. His printed lectures are not easy reading. His mind was saturated with the Scriptures, which he read daily in the original tongues. He habitually spent long periods each day in prayer. He was never in haste, never pausing in his work. He might well have characterized his own life in the words of the psalmist (Psalms, XVI:8)

"I have set the Lord always before me,
Because he is at my right hand I shall not be moved."

He died November 21, 1916. His hope had long been in Christ and he was more ready to go to be with him than ever he had been to set out on one of his long journeys. His facial expression had acquired a singular spiritual beauty and his features often lit up with a serene smile that proved the inner purity and rest of his soul. He must have known that he was regarded as a great man, but his thoughts were always so centered in the greatness of God and the pre-eminence of Christ that self entered not into his mind. He walked with God; he thought of little save God; he is now with God.

F. S. P.

JAMES A. PARKER.

A prince in our Israel was gathered unto his fathers when James A. Parker died. The end came in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Hopkins, of Lafayette, Louisiana, May 19, 1916.

Dr. Parker was a native of Alabama. In early life he was engaged in the practice of law, and his legal training was of great value to him.

He was converted in youth, and received into the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He was licensed to preach in 1857, and was admitted on trial into the Alabama Conference, at Montgomery, December, 1860, Bishop Andrew, presiding. In his class was Rev. A. D. McVoy, afterward President of Mansfield College. Thus for nearly sixty years he stood as a "watchman on the walls of Zion," warning men, and exhorting them to repentance and salvation by faith in Christ.

In 1861, he enlisted as a private in the Confederate Army, but, on account of ill health, he was discharged the following year. Recovering his health, he re-enlisted, and was appointed by Bishop Andrew as Chaplain to Clayton's Division, which position he filled until the surrender. He also served several pastoral charges before leaving his first Conference. In 1868 and '69 he was presiding elder of the Pensacola District.

In 1870 he was transferred to the Little Rock Conference, and was appointed by Bishop Keener to Eldorado Circuit. Upon leaving Eldorado Circuit, he served three years as presiding elder of the Camden District, and following that, he spent two years on Magnolia Circuit.

In 1876 he was transferred to the Louisiana Conference, and was stationed at Homer, where he remained four years. For thirty years or more of active ministry in the Louisiana Conference, he served several of its districts, and some of its most important charges: Homer District, Alexandria District, Delhi District; Minden, Bastrop, Ruston, Lake Charles, Baton Rouge, and other charges. Upon the close of his pastorate in Benton, in 1910, he was granted the superannuate relation, in which he remained until the end.

He was an instructive, forceful preacher. His sermons were clear, luminous expositions of Bible truth, and the earnest spiritual fervor, with which they were delivered, impressed them upon the consciences of his hearers, and he had many seals to his ministry.

Brother Parker was one of our ablest ministers. In the pulpit, among his people, and on the Conference floor, he was an acknowledged leader. The Secretary of our Conference says of him: "He was a strong preacher and a man of remarkably clear vision. His legal training was often evident in his public speech. He excelled as a debator, and few men could present a case on the floor more clearly than he."

I was intimately associated with him in the work of the boards and committees of the Conference, of some of which he was often chairman, and he was always courteous, and considerate of the rights and opinions of his collaborators. In the discussions, and in dealing with the perplexing problems that sometimes arose, I never heard him say an unkind word, nor utter a harsh criticism, nor saw him do a discourteous thing. Would that more of us were like him in these fine traits of ministerial character!

For four years, I was his presiding elder, and I looked forward to my visits to his

charge, with the expectation of learning something that would be helpful to me in my work. My love and respect for him were akin to the feeling of a son toward a father.

He died, as he had lived, in the full assurance of faith. His was a long painful illness, but he never questioned his Father's will, bore his suffering bravely, and was always thoughtfully, tenderly appreciative of the loving ministry of his family.

His devotion to his family is beautifully expressed by a daughter, who says: "Only those who have lived with him in the intimacy of private life know just how pure and good that life was. When semi-delirious, he prayed aloud, and preached the most beautiful sermons. At other times, in his delirium, he discussed ways and means for relieving the miseries of the war-sufferers. In a paroxysm of great pain, he said, 'All in God's good time—His will, not mine, be done.' Just the night before he died, he whispered, 'All is well!'"

We who knew and loved him sadly miss his kindly face and commanding figure in our Conference session. And we share in the loss which is the greater sorrow of his devoted companion of many years, and his children. But our loss is his gain, and, in the thought of John on Patmos, we can say, "He rests from his labors, and his works do follow him."

The following song, composed by Brother Parker, during the last years of his life, was sung at his funeral. It bears eloquent testimony to his love for, and simple faith in, our Heavenly Father:

"My day of life will soon be past—
The sun is going down;
And when I'm free from earth at last,
I hope to wear a crown.

Chorus—

"Starry crown, glory crown!
Ordained for saints to wear;
I'll share those starry crowns in Heaven,
And reign with Jesus there.

"This hope to me by Christ is given,
Through crucial pain he bore;
And when I reach that home in Heaven,
A crown he will bestow.

"I'll calmly bear my troubles here,
With the sweet promise given,
That he will dry each falling tear,
And crown my life in Heav'n.

"I'll struggle onward up the hill,
Though foes would press me down;
I still will do my Father's will,
To wear a starry crown.

"Though life to me be toil and strife,
Or riches and renown,
I'll gladly yield this mortal life,
To wear a starry crown.

"Then join in praise for victory won,
With all the Heavenly host;
Praise to the Father and the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost."

J. D. HARPER.

MRS. SUSAN EMMA JENKINS.

Sister Jenkins, wife of Rev. M. G. Jenkins, an honored superannuate of the Louisiana Annual Conference, died in San Antonio, Texas, on Sunday, November 28th, 1915, and her remains were buried in Mineola, Texas. She was the daughter of Malcom and Susan Monroe, being born in Thomas County, Georgia, on March 22d, 1846.

Sister Jenkins gave her hand in marriage to Brother Jenkins on July 7, 1865, being but nineteen years of age. Her marriage took place in the home of her birth amid familiar scenes and among the friends of her childhood. She was trained by godly parents and ever walked in the faith so beautifully pointed out to her by their faithful living. Her young life developed into a beautiful young womanhood. She was converted in early life and joined the Southern Methodist Church and was ever a noble exponent of its teachings.

We learn that her last months on earth subjected her to intense pain, but that she bore the same with Christian fortitude. All that loving friends and physicians could do was unavailing, and on November 28th, 1915, this aged saint entered into rest saying but a short time before death claimed her, "My dear Savior has heard my prayer."

Gathered with the family as she passed away were Rev. J. E. Harrison, President of the San Antonio Female College, and President Wesley Peacock, each of whom paid glowing tributes to our departed sister. Both knew her well and could and did bear testimony to her consistent and beautiful life.

She was the constant companion of her husband for over fifty years, and amid all the joys, trials and victories of a long itinerant life she was "true as steel," as one who knew her well has appropriately said: "Wherever her itinerant life led, whether it was in Georgia, Louisiana, or in Texas, she went ready to do for her Lord and Master, and faithfully she did her part in His Kingdom. She was the mainstay and comfort of her husband, and especially during these later days of his superannuation. Many beside those of her kin and household were helped by the touch of her hand, the sweetness of her words of love and sympathy, and the resplendent living before them of the Christ-life."

She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Lula Harris, and one sister, Mrs. Estelle Drennan, of Houston, Texas. "Separated for a while, our brother and her daughter and all who loved her in God's good time shall again be with her and be at home with God forever and forever."

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NAME OF CHARGE AND PASTOR.		Local Preachers	Additions on Profession of Faith	Additions by Certificate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership	Adults Baptized	Infants Baptized	No. of Churches in Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness
1	Alexandria.....	12	21	70	13	870	4	9	1	1	43000	
2	Bon Ami.....		25	14	7	173	18	3				
3	Boyce.....		46	38	1	333	29	13			3800	
4	Bunkie.....		15	5	40	300	12	8			8500	
5	Columbia.....	1	10	3	7	684	3	4			9300	
6	Colfax.....		3	8	1	131	1				2000	
7	Campti.....	1	3	73	121	234	2	2			4000	
8	De Ridder.....		4	18	9	182		5			15000	3570
9	De Ridder Mission.....	1	4	2	2	115	4				1000	
10	Elizabeth.....		18	22	12	62						
11	Glenmora.....		19	47		138	14	6			6030	695
12	Harrisonburg.....			22		95					300	
13	Jena.....		8	10	8	225	7	3			4000	
14	LeCompte.....		16	6	4	124	14	3			1600	
15	Longville.....											
16	Merryville.....		19	47	5	138	14	1			1800	
17	Melville.....		10		144	153	5	10			10000	
18	Natchitoches.....		25	14	13	200	17				14000	4904
19	Oakdale.....		10	33	5	204	7	3			3000	
20	Opelousas.....		3	5	21	191	1	5			4500	
21	Ouachita Circuit.....											
22	Pineville.....	1	4	107	26	180	2	2			2500	
23	Pollock.....	2	9	16	6	244	2	5			3300	
24	Provincial.....		3	1		75	1	1			2000	
25	Rapides Circuit.....	1	78	86	57	309	47	15			2350	
26	Reeves and Oberlin.....	1	7	23	6	70	2	1			3000	600
27	Selma.....		13	13	7	64	7	1				
28	Standard.....		35	14	48	150	16	8			800	
29	Trout and Goodpine.....		1	2	30	39	1	3			3500	
30	Woodworth.....	1	14	25	9	129	11	1			1203	
Total.....		13	423	702	607	5800	237	118	73	59	149150	9769
Total Last Year.....		8	641	719	437	4921	401	143	76	57	134522	8270
Increase.....		5			170	979				2	14628	1499
Decrease.....			218	17			164	25	3			

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

1	Amite.....	1	21	14	10	238	10	6	1	1	10000	
2	Baker.....		2	5	10	343	1	10	4	4	7503	
3	Baton Rouge: 1st Ch.....		56	86	96	735	7	6	1	1	30000	1400
4	Keener Memorial.....	1	7	29	7	187	7	15	1	1	5000	300
5	Clinton.....		16	6	4	98	12	2	1	1	6000	
6	Denham Springs.....		26	3	6	379	11	21	6	5	2900	
7	Franklinton & Zona.....		6	2	19	277	1		2	2	3530	
8	Franklinton Circuit.....		22	1	20	358	9	4	4	3	4000	250
9	Greenburg.....	2	73		7	418	28	21	7	6	9600	
10	Gonzales.....		12	12	8	250	1	15	6	4	2350	
11	Hammond.....	1	2	18	15	196		2	1	1	5000	
12	Jackson & St. Fran'vill.....		11	19	13	304	5	3	5	5	10000	
13	Kentwood.....	1	13	8	80	186		7	1	2	3030	
14	Pine Grove.....		36	3	3	272	25	5	3	3		
15	Ponchatoula.....		8	5	4	272	2	10	3	2	12750	
16	Pride.....		21	131	105	279	15	3	5	4	3500	
17	Springfield.....	1	8	31	5	289	8	31	6	6	3600	
18	Tangipahoa.....		31	56	10	150	1		4	3	2000	
19	Wilson.....	1	18	14	8	263			5	5	3400	
20	Zachary.....		9	19	21	287	2	9	4	4	5000	
Total.....		9	378	462	451	5781	145	170	70	63	129100	1950
Total Last Year.....		9	283	337	405	5993	118	190	62	57	126050	2074
Increase.....			95	125	46		27		8	6	3050	
Decrease.....						212		20				124

Table No. 1---Membership, Church Property, Insurance, Woman's Wk.
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

No. of Parsonages	Value	Indebtedness	Value of Other Church Property	Expended for Churches and Parsonages	Insurance Carried	Premium Paid	Churches Damaged or Destroyed	Parsonages Damaged or Destroyed	Amount of Damage	Loss Collected	Woman's W'k			Total, Table 1.	General Organs Taken	Conference Organs Taken
											No. of Societies	Members	Money Collected			
1	5000		1750		23000	152					1	119	655	897	4	25
1	1000		300	695										695	1	4
1	2000			2500	3500	47					1	29	235	2720	1	20
1	2000		325	1280	3300						1	19	309	1280	1	18
1	2500	40	100	541							1	30	49	590	1	9
1			40		1500						1	6	120	120	1	12
1	2000	1000		500	5000	206					1	38	219	925	2	4
1											1	22	192	192	1	1
1	400			1060	2000	9								1069	1	8
1	2500			17							1	27	96	17	1	15
1	2500		300		3250	25					1	27	96	121	1	9
1	2500		500	135	2400	16					1	16	182	353	2	17
1	1000		450	810	2250	28					1	45	150	988	2	8
2	3000			39							1	35	305	39	2	6
1	2500			329	6500	250					1	43	545	757	2	2
1	1800	500			2300						1	14	104	545	2	1
1	1800		2500	20							1	14	104	124	2	6
1	400		1000	156	1000	6								162	1	2
1	600			40	1500	60	1		50					100	2	3
1	500	75		200										200	2	3
1				230										230	2	2
1	1000	300		2100										2100	4	4
				50							1	8	39	89	1	6
											1	8	39	89	3	8
											1	8	39	89	1	7
20	35000	1915	7265	10700	60200	799	1		50		14	457	3195	14203	43	300
17	26750	1500	3295	12911	47750	145			8	8	14	372	2424	15616	32	211
3	8250	415	3970		12250	654	1		42	8		85	871		11	89
				2211										1413		

BATON ROUGE DISTRICT

1	1250		630	1135	5000	78					1	30	200	1413	2	12
2	10000			740	11500	96	1		106	106	1	3	9	36	5	9
1	1500	950		829	5000	18					1	44	217	1053	1	30
1	1500			184	2500	45					1	8	28	847	1	6
1	400	12	375											257	1	10
1	2500			15	3375	26					1	21	219	260	1	5
1				200										200	1	6
1	1000		1000	70										70	1	8
1	850	150		950	500	13								963	1	7
1	1770	397		190	2500	21	1		100	100	1	10	30	241	1	10
2	3000				1500	14					2	16	20	34		12
1	1500			187	2000	23					1	27	148	358		13
1	300															14
1	450			27							1	36	100	127	1	10
1	600			75										75		15
1	800	60		439							1			439		17
1	800										1	11	116	116		2
1	1500	400		80							2	48	115	195	6	4
1	1500			110	4000	33					2	7		143	1	28
20	31220	1969	1975	5258	39875	367	2		206	206	15	261	1202	6827	20	203
17	27250	564	2630	4293	31575	299	2		11526	750	11	286	1551	6873	23	204
3	3970	1405		965	8300	76					4					
			635						11319	544		25	349	46	3	1

Table No. 1---Membership, Church Property, Insurance and Woman's Work.

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT

NAME OF CHARGE AND PASTOR		Local Preachers	Additions on Profession of Faith	Additions by Certificate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership	Adults Baptized	Infants Baptized	No. of Churches In Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness
1 Abbeville.....	F. J. McCoy.....	1	19	6	6	148	12	9	6	4	4500	.....
2 Crowley.....	A. I. Townsley.....	1	19	42	21	495	12	20	1	1	30000	11500
3 Eunice.....	A. A. Bernard.....	1	6	58	12	230	4	4	5	4	7300	100
4 Evangeline Mission.....	T. L. Bryson.....	1	17	55	10	189	5	2	4	4	3500	313
5 Franklin.....	A. F. Vaughan.....	1	14	12	20	193	14	.....	1	1	6000	.....
6 French Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7 Gueydan.....	J. H. Hoffpauir.....	1	9	4	13	252	1	8	3	3	4000	.....
8 Houma Mission.....	M. Hebert.....	3	34	1	10	319	4	20	3	3	4000	2150
9 Indian Bayou.....	J. L. Lay.....	1	4	2	10	593	.....	41	3	3	3700	.....
10 Jennings.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	.....	.....	1	1	1160	68
11 Lafayette.....	Wm. Schuhle.....	1	2	4	11	239	.....	.....	1	1	3500	.....
12 Lake Arthur.....	J. D. Nesom.....	1	3	35	17	205	.....	.....	3	3	4000	.....
13 Lake Charles.....	K. W. Dodson.....	1	40	98	100	632	10	29	1	1	15600	1500
14 Lafourche Mission.....	A. D. Martin, Supply.....	1	12	8	9	91	7	25	3	3	1500	410
15 Morgan City.....	C. C. Weir.....	1	31	7	16	283	11	25	3	3	12500	.....
16 New Iberia.....	H. N. Brown.....	1	2	8	23	208	.....	11	1	1	20000	572
17 Patterson & J'rette.....	W. R. McPherson.....	1	22	72	12	176	11	3	3	3	7500	.....
18 Rayne.....	C. E. Fike.....	1	14	6	2	259	5	6	3	3	4000	.....
19 Sulphur & Vinton.....	Louis Hoffpauir.....	1	32	16	13	223	12	4	3	3	4500	.....
20 St. Martinville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....		12	361	426	307	4794	89	196	42	40	143960	20613
Total Last Year.....		12	284	191	303	4936	44	230	41	36	132000	6078
Increase.....		.....	77	235	4	.....	44	966	1	4	11960	14535
Decrease.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	142	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

MONROE DISTRICT

1 Bastrop & Collinston.....	O. L. Tucker.....	1	37	24	9	252	28	16	3	4	7500	.....
2 Bonita.....	A. D. George.....	1	43	101	7	307	31	.....	6	5	4500	150
3 Brooklyn.....	D. Fordham, Supply.....	3	46	7	2	392	46	.....	6	5	3500	.....
4 Calhoun.....	W. J. Newsum.....	1	34	2	12	307	23	4	7	6	4150	.....
5 Eros.....	R. H. Bamberg.....	1	26	53	25	310	26	.....	4	4	6000	.....
6 Farmerville.....	J. F. Waltman.....	1	4	2	6	103	3	.....	3	2	3000	.....
7 Gilbert.....	J. R. Roy.....	1	12	5	121	136	5	18	3	4	5500	.....
8 Lake Providence.....	C. C. Miller.....	1	12	2	1	141	1	.....	1	1	12000	.....
9 Mangham.....	D. C. Barr.....	1	13	.....	1	173	9	1	4	4	4000	.....
10 Mer Rouge & Oak R.....	W. R. Harvill.....	1	75	18	4	322	59	5	3	2	4530	.....
11 Monroe.....	T. H. Morris.....	1	50	123	78	697	10	13	1	1	32000	.....
12 Oak Grove.....	W. T. Woodward.....	1	79	61	5	429	70	12	4	3	4000	.....
13 Rayville.....	H. N. Harrison.....	2	3	17	2	165	2	3	1	1	4000	.....
14 Sicily Island.....	W. J. Porter.....	1	19	32	10	267	14	30	6	6	7500	.....
15 Tallulah.....	V. D. Skipper.....	1	.....	.....	29	84	.....	1	2	2	3500	.....
16 Waterproof.....	Geo. Fox.....	1	1	3	2	136	.....	.....	3	2	3750	.....
17 West Monroe.....	H. W. Ledbetter.....	1	7	19	6	117	4	1	2	2	5000	100
18 Winnsboro.....	H. B. Thomason.....	1	56	34	25	434	19	8	3	3	4500	.....
Total.....		14	509	502	444	4766	341	112	62	57	120900	250
Total Last Year.....		10	199	370	287	4146	117	113	60	55	112550	250
Increase.....		5	410	133	157	620	224	.....	2	2	8350	.....
Decrease.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

1 Bogalusa.....	T. J. Warlick.....	1	2	48	100	322	1	5	1	1	2500	.....
2 Covington.....	J. M. Boykin.....	1	20	30	3	188	2	10	4	1	2500	.....
3 Donaldsonville.....	P. O. Lowrey.....	1	11	6	4	96	5	2	3	2	2400	.....
4 McDonoghville.....	L. I. McLain.....	1	9	7	1	122	.....	.....	1	1	3000	.....
5 New Orleans:Algiers.....	R. M. Brown.....	1	9	31	17	338	1	16	2	1	.....	.....
6 Carrollton Ave.....	N. E. Joyner.....	1	6	48	12	300	.....	12	1	1	30000	4600
7 Epworth.....	C. M. Morris.....	1	12	49	12	250	2	19	1	1	8000	.....
8 Felicity.....	F. R. Hill, Sr.....	1	18	15	16	288	7	6	1	1	3500	3250
9 First Church.....	S. H. Werlein.....	1	18	109	87	568	1	10	1	1	100000	12000
10 Louisiana Ave.....	A. J. Gearheard.....	1	44	58	52	365	11	12	1	2	30000	.....
11 Rayne Memorial.....	F. R. Hill, Jr.....	2	21	38	85	423	4	9	1	1	60000	.....
12 Second Church.....	J. A. Alford.....	1	4	18	9	222	.....	10	1	1	14000	.....
13 Mary Werlein.....	W. E. Thomas.....	1	2	.....	20	60	.....	3	1	1	2500	.....
14 St. Mark's Mis.....	G. V. Romano.....	1	11	3	7	63	10	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
15 Plaquemine.....	G. P. White.....	1	12	4	.....	171	2	28	4	4	8500	.....
16 Slidell.....	T. J. Embree.....	1	8	15	21	220	2	2	2	2	4700	.....
17 St. Tammany.....	L. S. Rutledge.....	1	18	11	6	283	5	5	5	4	3700	.....
18 Parker Memorial.....	R. H. Harper.....	1	9	27	16	319	1	9	1	1	32000	7000
Total.....		6	234	547	468	4598	54	161	31	25	291300	26850
Total Last Year.....		7	309	568	528	4388	63	164	39	28	337800	30450
Increase.....		.....	.....	.....	.....	210	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Decrease.....		1	75	21	60	.....	9	2	8	3	46500	3600

Table No. 1--Membership, Church Property, Insurance, Woman's Wk.

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

No. of Parsonages	Value	Indebtedness	Value of Other Church Property	Expended for Churches and Parsonages	Insurance Carried	Premium Paid	Churches Damaged or Destroyed	Parsonages Damaged or Destroyed	Amount of Damage	Loss Collected	Woman's W'k			Total, Table 1.	General Organs Taken	Conference Organs Taken
											No. of Societies	Members	Money Collected			
1	1500			165	2000	18					1	35	1062	182	1	6
1	3000	2000		1700	22000						1	35	1062	2762	5	11
1	2000		100	312	200						1	15	138	450	1	6
1	250			100							1	18	512	100	1	10
1	3000				5000	90					1	18	512	602		5
																6
1	1500			254	2600	19					1	16	85	273	3	10
1	1500		1500	1110	2400	7					1	16	85	1202	1	6
1	1200		509	438										438	12	23
			165		800	6								6		10
1	6600	1000		125	3650	23					1	34	334	482	2	8
1	750		30	150							1	18	157	307	12	7
1	8000				11725	60					1	39	446	606	5	9
				1090										1090		2
1	5000		4500	1000	4500	16					2	37	232	1248	10	4
1	1600			127	11200	39					2	50	129	295	12	3
1	1500			625	6000	70								695	2	6
1	1000		800	75	1800						4	55	320	395	5	13
1	1100			700	1700	13					1	26	237	950	1	10
																26
18	38900	3000	7595	2971	75575	361					16	343	3652	12135	43	134
19	41300	1000	4100	16545	79575	405	2	1	808	208	13	319	2718	8716	56	169
		2090	2195		5000						3	24	934	3423		
1	2400			13574		44	2	1	808	208					13	35

MONROE DISTRICT

1	1500			240	1250	27								267	3	9
1	1500			487										487	1	16
				60										60	2	5
1	800			125										125	1	10
1	1000			107										107	1	22
1	1500	125			450	10								10	1	18
1	1000		600								1	15	27	27		14
1	3000			400	6000	39					1	20	108	547	4	4
1	1200	500		350							1	9		350	4	11
2	2700			72	3200						2	36	257	329	2	20
2	13600	1600		700	15030	165	1		83	83	1	60	224	1089	12	30
1	1000		1000	1200			1		75					1200	4	46
1	3000			135	2000						1	25	319	454	2	19
1	1200			400										400	1	19
1	3000										1					15
1	1000			206							1	6	12	218	2	9
1	3500	75		192	2400	37					1	19	179	408	1	8
1	3000		160	1313							1	32	255	1568	2	31
19	42000	2300	1760	5987	30300	278	2		158	83	10	222	1381	7646	43	291
19	41569	2775	2075	2827	35250	381					9	214	1181	4240	33	228
	431		685	3160			2		158	83	1	8	200	3406	10	63
		475	315		4950	103										

NEW ORLEANS DISTRICT

				500										500		5
1	1000			275	1000	15								290		8
1	2000			100	1000	6					3	30	60	166	1	5
1	3000		500	60	4000									60		4
			8000		4200	36					1	30	100	136	2	16
1	5500	1450		1450	22100						1	31	621	2071		6
				115	4500									115	5	9
1	4000		7250		2500	181					1	21	167	7598	4	14
1	6000			7987	56350	127					1	73	1814	9028		9
1	3500	1350		550	17500	46					1	5	190	786	6	8
1	12500	8000		20258	56000	485					1	75	1033	21776	10	24
				97	10000	55					1	20	61	213	2	7
				100										100	1	6
											1	20	46	46	1	11
2	2250			136	5650	47								183		15
1	1500	465		213	4100	51					1	46	278	542	2	12
1	400		1000	50	1000	40								90	2	9
1	3000			911	18100	85	1		43	43	1	37	326	1262	1	5
13	44650	9815	15750	31902	208000	1174	1		43	43	13	388	4696	44962	37	120
11	44800	11450	1600	8886	200675	343	7		3	10967	25	11	356	3820	13066	46
2			14150	23116	7325	831			3		18	2	32	876	30896	
	150	635					6		10924						9	92

**Table No. 1 Membership, Church Property, Insurance and Woman's Work.
RUSTON DISTRICT**

NAME OF CHARGE AND PASTOR		Local Preachers	Additions on Profession of Faith	Additions by Certificate and Otherwise	Removals by Death and Otherwise	Present Total Membership	Adults Baptized	Infants Baptized	No. of Churches In Charge	No. of Church Buildings	Value	Indebtedness
1 Alberta.....	F. P. Moss.....	1	25	4	12	135	18	15	3	3	3000	.....
2 Arcadia.....	E. K. Means.....	1	18	7	6	221	18	...	1	1	4000	.....
3 Athens.....	W. D. Kleinschmidt..	...	7	10	8	448	2	3	4	4	7500	.....
4 Bernice.....	S. D. Roberts.....	...	2	...	32	238	2	...	4	4	5000	400
5 Bienville.....	H. W. Jamieson.....	...	10	8	6	270	1	5	6	6	3000	.....
6 Cotton Valley.....	T. J. Holliday.....	1	4	8	88	280	3	1	5	5	2000	.....
7 Dubach.....	W. L. Doss.....	1	3	8	13	471	1	4	3	3	9000	600
8 Elmora.....	W. E. Akin.....	...	9	6	6	419	5	2	5	5	3000	.....
9 Gibsland.....	J. G. Sloane.....	...	12	12	16	470	15	3	6	6	5000	.....
10 Haynesville.....	A. S. J. Neill.....	...	...	6	43	339	...	...	6	6	6500	.....
11 Haughton.....	J. M. Brown.....	...	6	20	...	332	1	5	3	3	4500	.....
12 Homer.....	J. G. Snelling.....	1	4	10	10	376	3	...	1	1	18000	.....
13 Jonesboro.....	G. A. Morgan.....	...	18	15	18	219	6	...	3	2	3000	.....
14 Minden.....	W. W. Drake.....	1	30	35	48	415	17	11	2	1	25000	.....
15 Plain Dealing.....	C. B. Powell.....	...	17	9	2	180	13	5	3	2	2300	.....
16 Ringgold.....	J. F. Dring.....	1	38	170	16	502	36	2	6	6	6800	.....
17 Ruton.....	J. M. Henry.....	1	16	23	42	652	1	6	1	1	30000	.....
18 Sibley.....	A. L. Harper.....	...	22	25	6	501	19	...	5	4	4600	.....
19 Simsboro.....	W. R. Smith.....	...	8	13	1	268	4	4	4	4	3000	.....
20 Winnfield.....	J. W. Lee.....	...	12	8	20	217	11	7	1	1	3000	.....
Total.....		11	272	413	395	6933	176	73	71	61	132000	1000
Total Last Year.....		10	380	239	479	6864	256	89	71	62	136350	8500
Increase.....		1	...	84	...	69	...	...	...	...	...	...
Decrease.....		...	108	...	84	...	80	16	...	1	4350	7500

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

1 Anacoco.....	A. C. Searcy.....	2	11	14	51	259	2	...	5	3	3500	.....
2 Bayou Lachute.....	J. F. Foter.....	...	3	5	10	56	3	1	3	3	4500	.....
3 C. Grove & Lg'street.	W. F. Henderson, Jr..	...	27	11	30	225	13	3	3	3	4500	.....
4 Coushatta.....	A. H. Parker.....	...	23	19	8	316	16	2	4	4	2500	.....
5 Grand Cane.....	L. C. Wilson.....	2	9	14	9	231	7	7	3	3	6500	.....
6 Greenwood.....	J. C. Rousseaux.....	1	4	...	7	174	3	2	3	2	3000	.....
7 Ida.....	J. C. Price.....	...	30	21	10	244	19	6	5	5	8500	1250
8 Lake End.....	O. M. Posey, Supply..	...	2	2	...	52	2	2	2	2	1000	.....
9 Leesville.....	J. L. Williams.....	1	75	32	32	352	421	10	1	1	4000	.....
10 Logansport.....	F. B. Hill.....	3	...	11	28	234	...	...	2	2	4100	.....
11 Mansfield.....	A. G. Shankle.....	...	32	38	45	428	18	6	1	1	35000	.....
12 Many.....	S. D. Howard.....	...	11	20	12	149	3	5	3	3	5000	.....
13 Mooringsport.....	W. F. Henderson.....	1	7	9	3	181	2	1	2	2	5000	.....
14 Noble.....	R. T. Ware, Supply..	...	25	28	35	273	23	25	4	4	2000	175
15 Pelican.....	F. R. Power.....	1	5	3	33	236	5	1	3	3	4500	500
16 Pleasant Hill.....	B. T. Crews.....	...	1	9	108	202	...	2	3	2	5800	.....
17 Shreveport: 1st Ch..	Geo. S. Sexton.....	2	80	148	451	1247	50	13	1	1	230000	.....
18 Noel Memorial.....	R. W. Tucker.....	1	15	62	32	337	9	...	1	1	110000	.....
19 Texas Avenue.....	L. N. Hoffpauir.....	4	10	12	19	177	11	9	1	1	5000	500
20 Queensboro.....	I. T. Reams.....	...	2	6	2	122	...	6	1	1	3000	500
21 South Mansfield.....	S. S. Holliday.....	2	16	5	5	277	7	11	4	3	3000	.....
22 Vivian.....	H. J. Boltz.....	1	79	32	19	323	54	...	1	1	1000	.....
23 Zwolle.....	T. D. Lipscomb.....	...	22	41	9	163	5	7	1	1	1500	.....
Total.....		21	483	543	543	6268	296	119	57	52	452900	2925
Total Last Year.....		12	592	459	1142	5442	314	111	57	44	376350	63982
Increase.....		9	...	84	...	826	...	8	...	8	76550	...
Decrease.....		...	103	...	600	...	18	...	...	...	...	61057

RECAPITULATION

1 Alexandria.....	H. W. May.....	13	423	702	607	5662	237	118	73	59	149150	9769
2 Baton Rouge.....	H. W. Bowman.....	99	378	462	451	5781	145	170	70	63	129100	1950
3 Lafayette.....	J. I. Hoffpauir.....	12	361	426	307	4804	89	196	42	40	143960	20613
4 Monroe.....	A. S. Lutz.....	14	509	593	444	4763	341	112	62	57	120900	250
5 New Orleans.....	W. W. Holmes.....	6	234	547	468	4598	54	161	31	25	291300	26850
6 Ruston.....	C. B. Carter.....	11	272	413	395	6933	176	73	71	61	132000	1000
7 Shreveport.....	C. D. Atkinson.....	21	489	543	543	5268	296	119	57	52	452900	2925
Total.....		86	2666	3596	3215	37812	1338	949	406	357	1419310	63357
Total Last Year.....		67	2688	2973	3582	36690	1313	1049	406	339	1355622	119604
Increase.....		19	...	623	...	1122	25	...	...	18	63688	...
Decrease.....		...	2	...	367	...	...	91	...	...	...	56247

Table No. 1---Membership, Church Property, Insurance, Woman's Wk.

RUSTON DISTRICT

No. of Parsonages	Value	Indebtedness	Value of Other Church Property	Expended for Churches and Parsonages	Insurance Carried	Premiums Paid	Churches Damaged Or Destroyed	Parsonages Damaged Or Destroyed	Amount of Damage	Loss Collected	Woman's W'k			Total for Table 1	General Organs Taken	Conference Organs Taken	
											No. of Societies	Members	Money Collected				
1	2000		29	15							1	40	125	15	1	3	1
1	1500		300	250	4500	80					1	12	40	375	1	2	2
1	1000			1472	2500	40					1	14	97	1592	1	1	3
1	500			20	2900						1			137	2	20	4
1	1500										1			20	1	15	3
1	1500			5747	4750	80					1	21	59	5886	1	29	7
1	1500			525							1			525	1	20	8
1	2000	300		460	1200						1			460	1	13	9
1	1500			16							1			79	1	18	10
1	1500			1350							1	15	63	1511	2	25	11
1	2000			2700	7000						3	85	753	3453	5	20	12
1	1500			112							1	64	425	112	8	27	14
1	7000			757	16500	56					1	9	78	1238	3	20	15
1	1500			78							1			78	1	39	16
1	1500			269							1	60	467	4754	10	33	17
2	9000		51000	3427	49500	860					1			269	2	17	18
1	1500		269	225							1	8	37	225	2	27	19
1	1000			177	600	15					1			229	2	27	19
1	2000			110	1300	35					1	19	51	196	2	5	20
20	40000	300	51589	17710	90750	1166					15	377	2356	21154	53	371	
20	36150	1835	40269	6996	78475	49			1500	1000	11	298	1700	8932	39	382	
20	3850		11320	10714	12275	1117			1500	1000	4	79	656	12222	14		
20		1535														11	

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1	1200		800	60										60	1	20	1
1				55										55	1	6	2
1	2000			18	2675	53					1	8	24	95	1	15	3
1	2500			100	1030	16								116	2	19	4
1	2500		2000	791	3600						2	33	646	1437	1	20	5
1	1000		400		2200						3	36	261	261	1	6	6
1	1200			4533	3000	45								4578	4	35	7
1			200													2	8
1	2500		700	750	2500	88					1	40	702	1540	3	6	9
1	2500	705		992	2000	21					1	30	202	1215	1	8	10
1	6500		50000	1033	40000	180				734	1	78	1365	3083	3	15	11
1	1400			76	750						1	17	107	183	10	12	12
1	1400										1	12	8	8	2	3	13
1	400			300										300			15
1	1500			1503	2100	18								1518	1	20	15
1	1500	300	400	314										314	2	14	16
1	9000		2000	65432	78000						4	256	4023	69455			17
1				5030							1	48	797	5797	3	12	18
1	3000	448		748	4000	48					1	24	200	996	1	3	19
2	1500	290		323	3000	65								388	1	8	20
1			600	350										350	1	8	21
1	1200			986							1	30	78	1064		10	22
1				1200		11					1	26	197	208	2	12	23
18	40300	1738	57100	83331	146025	545				734	19	638	8610	93018	42	269	
15	37400	1018	58100	12366	137325	329					19	710	11743	23437	27	222	
3	2900	720		70965	8700	216				734				69581	15	47	
1			1000														

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20	35900	1915	7265	10700	60200	799	1	50	14	457	3195	14203	48	300	1	
20	31220	1969	1975	5258	39875	367	2	206	15	261	1202	6827	20	203	2	
18	38900	3000	7595	2971	75575	361			16	343	3652	12139	43	134	3	
19	42000	3200	1760	5987	30300	278	2	158	83	10	222	1381	7646	43	291	4
13	44650	9815	15750	31902	208300	1174	1	43	13	388	4696	44962	37	129	5	
20	40000	300	51589	17710	90750	1166			15	377	2356	21154	53	371	6	
18	40300	1738	57100	83331	146025	545			19	638	8610	93018	42	269	7	
128	272070	21037	143034	157859	650725	4690	6	457	1023	102	2684	25092	199949	282	1697	
118	255219	19142	112339	64824	601625	1951	11	24808	1991	88	2555	25137	80880	256	1637	
10	16851	1895	30635	93035	49100	2739				14	129		119069	26	60	
5							5	23351	968			45				

Table No. II--Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools.
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE	No. Leagues	Members	Missions on Assessment	Missions Special	Anniversary Day	Other Objects	Total from Leagues	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Enrollment in all Departments	Members in Home Department	Children on Cradle Roll
1 Alexandria	1	25	\$10			\$50	\$50	1	40	623	100	70
2 Bon Ami	1	35	\$12				12	1	12	100		12
3 Boyce								1	38	445	30	27
4 Bunkie	1	14					25	3	35	340	22	31
5 Columbia	2	36				9	9	3	16	180		6
6 Colfax								1	10	94	18	13
7 Campti								3	25	235	41	
8 De Ridder								1	18	244		47
9 De Ridder Mission								1	7	125		
10 Elizabeth								2	25	337		45
11 Glenmora								1	15	255		
12 Harrisonburg								1	11	65		
13 Jena	1	16						2	20	250	25	2
14 LeCompte								1	13	135	24	9
15 Longville												
16 Merryville								1	8	140		
17 Melville								3	16	200		
18 Natchitoches								1	15	350	72	20
19 Oakdale								1	17	203		
20 Opelousas	1	40	4			29	33	3	16	150		26
21 Ouachita Circuit												
22 Pineville								3	15	150		
23 Pollock								3	22	175		25
24 Provincial								2	8	75		
25 Rapides Circuit								2	8	70		
26 Reeves and Oberlin								2	16	116		10
27 Selma	2	42	5	5		40	50	1	18	160	29	22
28 Standard												
29 Trout and Goodpine								1	6	70		
30 Woodworth								2	9	90		
Total	9	208	\$21	\$15		\$153	\$189	57	454	5377	361	360
Total Last Year	5	169	52			239	291	56	404	4473	145	288
Increase	4	39		15				1	50	904	216	72
Decrease			31			86	102					

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1 Amite	2	80	\$ 2			\$ 30	\$ 32	1	15	190	30	
2 Baker	1	16				2	2	4	31	224	43	16
3 Baton Rouge: 1st Ch.	3	75	10			140	150	1	45	567	49	74
4 Keener Memorial	3	55						1	20	360		60
5 Clinton	1	25				5	5	1	9	106	24	5
6 Denham Springs								6	41	240	25	12
7 Franklinton and Zona								2	18	197		18
8 Franklinton Mission	1	20					2	3	20	175		
9 Greenburg								5	24	211		
10 Gonzales	1	10						5	29	267	18	45
11 Hammond								1	14	235		
12 Jackson & St. F'ville	1	24						5	24	180		
13 Kentwood	2	55				10	10	1	16	239	44	70
14 Pine Grove								2	14	85		10
15 Ponchatoula								2	20	224	60	10
16 Pride								4	20	120		
17 Springfield								5	24	251		
18 Tangipahoa								2	12	78		
19 Wilson								2	18	161		
20 Zachary	1	27						4	26	307	31	44
Total	16	387	\$12			\$205	\$201	57	440	4417	343	374
Total Last Year	12	346	\$3	8		255	247	52	409	4093	216	319
Increase	4	41		4				5	31	324	127	55
Decrease			3				46					

Table No. 11—Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools.
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Training Classes	Wesley Bible Classes	Sunday School Pupils Received Into the Church	Missions on Assessment	Missions Special	Children's Day	Sunday School Supplies	Other Objects	Total from Sunday School	Total from Sunday School and Epworth League	Less Amount Elsewhere Reported	Net Total Table No. 2	Total from Table No. 1	Total, Tables 1 and 2
4	18			\$89	\$59	\$378	\$ 45	\$571	\$631	\$ 32	\$599	\$807	\$1406
12	14				4	62	98	164	176	110	66		66
12	30		\$41			158	109	308	308	91	217	695	912
6	12		41		3	140	188	374	399	144	255	2720	2975
1	2	4			11	90	52	153	162	52	110	1280	1390
1	2				16	63	34	110	110	34	76	590	666
1	1				14	60	42	146	146	72	74	120	194
	1	2		30		156	95	298	298	122	176	925	1101
			47			20		20	20		20		20
1	12	5				268	20	288	288	20	268	192	460
		11	1		5	90	39	135	135	40	95	1069	1164
					5	22	29	56	56	29	27	17	44
	12	7			6	50	65	121	121	65	56	121	177
		11		14	10	67	111	202	202	45	157	333	490
													15
		10	31	8		70	36	155	155	67	88	988	1076
						136	20	156	156	20	136	39	175
1	12	17			6	75	34	115	115	34	81	757	838
	3	6	50		6	95	356	507	507	190	317	545	862
		3	4	6	4	85	50	149	182	64	118	124	242
													21
						35	32	67	67	32	35	162	197
	3					120	13	133	133	13	120	100	220
	12					25		25	25		25	200	225
1	2	20				10		10	10		10	230	240
		4				26	79	105	105	39	66	2100	2166
1		11			5	89	34	128	178	13	165		165
							47				47		47
1	1					50	5	55	55	5	50	89	139
		5											30
8	42	190	\$245	\$119	\$154	\$2437	\$1633	\$4551	\$4737	\$1333	\$3454	\$14203	\$17657
9	23	176	221	96	83	1887	744	3021	3312	451	2876	15437	18313
	19	14	24	23	71	550	889	1530	1425	882	578		
1												1234	656

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1	1	10				\$150	\$24	\$174	\$206	\$28	\$178	\$1413	\$1591
	2				\$ 2	73	27	102	104	27	77	142	219
	6				15	431	55	651	801	55	746	1053	1799
1	4	3	\$25		5	176	142	348	348	32	316	847	1163
1	1	12	17	19	7	44	53	140	145	73	72	257	329
	6	22	1			47	17	65	65	18	47		47
	2	4				175	66	241	241	66	175	250	425
		9					107	107	109	17	92	200	292
	4	29				100	24	124	124	74	100	70	170
2	5	2			3	77	22	102	102		102	962	1064
		2				200	49	249	249	49	200	241	441
					6	106	21	121	121	21	100	34	134
1	2	12	23		6	75	173	282	292	83	209	358	567
		15			7	20	9	36	36	9	27		27
1	2	6	28	5	6	148	93	230	280	99	181	127	308
		8				10	37	47	47	37	10	75	85
	4	15			5	37	19	61	61	19	42	439	481
						35	8	43	43	8	35	116	151
	2	6	5	1		80	173	259	259	36	223	195	418
1	5				10	130	93	233	233	93	140	143	283
8	46	155	\$104	\$175	\$66	\$2378	\$1212	\$3665	\$3247	\$794	\$3072	\$6922	\$9994
5	25	136	91	12	55	2075	707	2940	3187	547	2640	6872	9512
3	21	19	13	163	11	303	505	725	60	247	432	50	482

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NAME OF CHARGE	No. Leagues	Members	Missions on Assessment	Missions Special	Anniversary Day	Other Objects	Total from Leagues	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Enrollment in all Departments	Members in Home Department	Children on Cradle Roll
1 Abbeville	1	30		\$20		\$25	\$45	3	14	85		
2 Crowley	1	8						1	33	396	100	50
3 Eunice	1	8						4	25	261	30	21
4 Evangeline Mission	1	20						2	10	75	15	
5 Franklin	1	20				10	10	1	18	321	30	38
6 French Mission	1	20						3	15	170		
7 Gueydan	1	42			\$1	25	25	3	20	185	14	19
8 Houma Mission	1	15	\$2			3	5	2	13	280		
9 Indian Bayou	1	15						1	6	70		
10 Jennings	1	15						1	13	242		34
11 Lafayette	1	15						1	20	245	4	15
12 Lake Arthur	1	84		10		48	58	1	49	419	23	20
13 Lake Charles	1	15		5		31	36	2	18	316	34	95
14 Lafourche Mission	1	30		10		16	26	1	15	173	20	35
15 Morgan City	2	30			1		1	2	20	135	36	
16 New Iberia	2	90		20	5	15	40	2	15	150		10
17 Patterson & Jrette	2	90		20	5	15	40	2	20	200	12	16
18 Rayne	2	90		20	5	15	40	2	20	200	12	16
19 Sulphur and Vinton	2	90		20	5	15	40	2	20	200	12	16
20 St. Martinville	2	90		20	5	15	40	2	20	200	12	16
Total	14	404	\$ 2	\$65	\$7	\$173	\$249	36	335	3815	318	353
Total Last Year	22	605	30	64	9	616	712	43	349	4267	365	409
Increase				1								
Decrease	8	201	28		2	443	463	7	14	452	47	56

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1 Eastrop and Collinston								2	16	160	25	12
2 Bonita								6	41	323	8	4
3 Brooklyn								5	20	200		
4 Calhoun								3	18	170		
5 Eros								3	24	240		48
6 Farmerville								2	15	100	15	
7 Gilbert								2	15	90	15	20
8 Lake Providence								1	11	105		
9 Mangham								3	11	127		
10 Mer Rouge & Oak Ridge	1	10						3	25	264	14	17
11 Monroe	2	40				\$30	\$30	1	26	324		
12 Oak Grove								4	36	205	40	25
13 Rayville								2	16	189	40	44
14 Sicily Island	1	15		\$3		5	8	4	34	266		24
15 Tallulah								2	20	135		
16 Waterproof								2	19	147	22	13
17 West Monroe								1	14	243	18	75
18 Winnsboro								4	24	372	6	
Total	4	65		\$3		\$25	\$38	50	385	3660	203	282
Total Last Year	2	43						43	311	3154	135	217
Increase	2	22		3		25	38	7	74	506	68	65
Decrease												

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1 Bogalusa	1							3	12	360		35
2 Covington	1	40				\$ 6	\$ 6	1	8	88		
3 Donaldsonville	2	41				15	15	3	22	260	25	20
4 McDonoghville	1	16						1	12	90		6
5 New Orleans: Algiers	1	21				40	40	2	32	275	47	10
6 Carrollton Avenue	3	93		\$60		106	166	1	30	410	30	60
7 Epworth	1	25	\$8			92	100	1	23	303	35	
8 Felicity								1	13	163	75	21
9 First Church	1	50		20		20	40	1	37	340	40	34
10 Louisiana Avenue	1	14						1	18	307	43	23
11 Parker Memorial								1	43	460	135	26
12 Rayne Memorial								1	35	250		50
13 Second Church								2	26	290	48	66
14 Mary Werlein	1	23	7		\$2	5	14	1	10	60		
15 St. Mark's Mission	1	27				144	144	1	16	160	30	35
16 Plaquemine								2	12	150	18	20
17 Slidell	1	35		15		2	17	2	14	214		18
18 St. Tammany								5	28	225		23
Total	14	385	\$15	\$95	\$2	\$430	\$567	30	391	4405	526	446
Total Last Year	11	334		88	8	398	548	29	402	4002	448	475
Increase	3	51	15	7		32	19	1		403	78	
Decrease					6				11			29

Table No. 11.—Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools.

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Training Classes	Wesley Bible Classes	Sunday School Pupils Received into the Church	Missions on Assessment	Missions Special	Children's Day	Sunday School Supplies	Other Objects	Total from Sunday School	Total from Sunday School and Epworth League	Less Amount Elsewhere Reported	Net Total Table No. 2	Total from Table No. 1	Total, Tables 1 and 2
1	5	19	\$71		\$10	\$74	\$22	\$96	\$96	\$22	\$74	\$183	\$257
1	2	3	5		5	194	262	527	527	71	501	2762	3263
1	1	10				133	58	199	201	58	143	450	593
1	1			\$25	13	35	11	46	46	11	35	100	135
1	1					93	178	309	319	91	228	602	830
1	1	20	3		7	100	57	157	158	57	101	273	374
1	1	4				40	36	80	105	22	83	1202	1285
1	1					40	9	49	49	9	40	438	478
1	1			5			103	108	113	25	88	16	104
1	1	3	2		11	93	66	270	270	66	204	482	686
1	1	11		50	11	123	88	224	224	74	150	307	457
1	1	9				271	247	579	637	130	507	606	1113
1	1	3				29	16	45	45		45	1090	1135
1	1	12	15	2		134	123	274	310	61	249	1248	1497
1	1	1	22		10	98	45	185	211	64	147	295	442
1	1	21			5	90	46	141	142	11	131	695	826
1	1	2	36			50	215	301	301	151	150	395	545
1	1	8	19		5	75	97	196	236	76	160	950	1110
1	1												20
7	26	123	\$188	\$177	\$88	\$1572	\$1679	\$3786	\$4030	\$999	\$3036	\$12094	\$15130
9	28	161	215	24	42	1708	1143	3142	3612	488	3220	8716	12336
2	2	38		153	46		536	644	418	511		3378	2094
2	2					136					184		

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1	1	20			\$7	\$112	\$88	\$207	\$207	\$88	\$119	\$267	\$386
1	1	35				80	22	102	102	22	80	487	567
1	1	10				30	20	50	50	10	40	60	100
1	1	14				42	46	88	88	46	42	125	167
1	3	25		\$10	8	70	64	152	152	34	118	107	225
2	3	17	\$21	1		86	45	131	131	45	86	10	96
2	1	32				156	232	420	420		420	547	967
2	7				8	54	33	95	95	33	62	350	412
2	30	31			5	97	208	341	341	239	102	329	431
2	3	25	81		27	230	80	418	448	109	339	1089	1428
2	4	80				95	27	95	112	27	95	1200	1295
2	1				72	50	47	169		47	122	454	576
2	15				7	150	61	218	226	61	165	400	565
2						134	60	194	194	60	134		134
2				2		76	48	126	126	48	78	218	296
3	3	20			3	173	138	339	339	72	267	408	675
3	1	15	10		6	80	47	149	149	55	94	1568	1662
6	26	296	\$195	\$92	\$69	\$1745	\$1349	\$3429	\$3315	\$1079	\$2415	\$7646	\$10061
10	22	96	289	7	64	1819	996	3265	3265	788	2377	4240	6617
4	4	200		85	5		353	164	50	291	38	3406	2444
4			94			74							

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		2				\$275	\$30	\$335	\$305	\$30	\$275	\$500	\$775	1
	1	18				25	5	30	36	5	31	290	321	2
3	8	5			\$8	120	55	183	198	55	143	166	309	3
	1	2	\$19			64	48	131	156	15	141	60	201	4
		6	54	\$43	12	203	57	369	409	154	255	136	391	5
1	3	5	105		14	233	74	486	652	74	578	2021	2599	6
		20	58		4	70	139	271	371	128	243	115	358	7
	3	7	30	16	9	84	167	306	306	167	139	7598	7737	8
	3	3		50	5	592	40	687	727	40	687	9028	9715	9
	2	22	34			79	131	234	234	80	154	786	940	10
	2	7	50	50	7	107	448	662	662	260	402	1262	1664	11
	2	12		300	15	175	75	565	565	.....	565	21776	22341	12
	4	4	28	7	9	230	32	306	306	67	239	213	452	13
			5				10	15	29	12	17	100	117	14
	3			22	1	48	15	86	230	8	222	46	268	15
	1	6	10			70	92	172	172	43	129	183	312	16
1		6			20	156	36	212	229	36	193	542	735	17
		10			6	100	.....	106	106	.....	106	90	196	18
6	32	135	\$393	\$488	\$110	\$2691	\$1454	\$5126	\$5693	\$1174	\$4519	\$14912	\$19431	
4	24	148	332	98	65	1764	872	3767	4213	1032	3282	13607	16889	
2	8		61	390		937	582	1359	1480	142	1237	31305	22542	
		13			54									

Table No. 11---Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools.

RUSTON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE	No. Leagues	Members	Missions on Assessment	Missions Special	Anniversary Day	Other Objects	Total from Leagues	No. of Sunday Schools	Officers and Teachers	Enrollment in all Departments	Members in Home Department	Children on Cradle Roll
1 Alberta								3	12	85		
2 Arcadia								1	14	145	20	14
3 Athens								2	24	200		
4 Berrice								2	12	100		
5 Bienville	1	30				\$3	\$3	4	28	218		33
6 Cotton Valley								4	32	258		52
7 Dubach	1	15				6	6	3	25	467	97	40
8 Elmore								5	35	300		
9 Gibbsland								4	24	400		75
10 Haynesville								3	26	255	25	25
11 Haughton								3	34	288	28	35
12 Homer								1	27	279	39	33
13 Jonesboro	1	25				12	12	2	18	162		
14 Minden	1	57				9	9	1	24	502	62	40
15 Plain Dealing	1	30						4	20	200	34	10
16 Ringgold								5	35	225		
17 Ruston								1	61	727	80	50
18 Sibley								3	20	325		46
19 Simsboro	1	16						3	22	348		18
20 Winnfield								1	13	166		36
Total	6	173				\$30	\$30	56	496	5650	385	507
Total Last Year	2	69						53	420	4696	286	227
Increase	4	104				30	30	3	76	954	99	280
Decrease												

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1 Anacoco								3	25	200	10	20
2 Bayou Lachute								2	10	75		
3 Cedar Grove & Lg'street	2	45				\$10	\$10	3	22	170		
4 Coushatta								4	28	312	6	7
5 Grand Cane	2	50				35	35	3	26	208	22	11
6 Greenwood	2	25						5	15	300		28
7 Ida								5	42	309	12	10
8 Lake End								3	12	90		
9 Leesville	2	50				10	10	1	25	151	25	12
10 Logansport	2	50						2	14	166	6	10
11 Mansfield	1	30		\$25		58	83	1	24	440	24	18
12 Many								2	18	165		6
13 Mooringsport								2	17	200		12
14 Noble								4	17	220		
15 Pelican								2	14	150		
16 Pleasant Hill	1	30		10		6	16	3	22	180		
17 Shreveport: 1st Church	1	157		150	\$85	75	310	1	64	1457	25	95
18 Noel Memorial	2	80	\$5			75	80	1	25	277		26
19 Texas Avenue	1	28					10	1	10	222		
20 Queensboro								1	13	159		18
21 South Mansfield								5	42	330	25	31
22 Vivian	1	52					30	2	20	370	12	20
23 Zwolle								1	20	229	55	27
Total	18	597	\$5	\$185	\$85	\$269	\$589	57	525	5350	222	351
Total Last Year	15	505				556	556	48	389	5585	208	558
Increase	3	92	5	185	85		32	9	136		14	
Decrease						287				235		207

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1 Alexandria	9	208	\$21	\$15		\$153	\$189	57	454	5377	361	360
2 Baton Rouge	16	387		12		205	201	57	440	4417	343	374
3 Lafayette	14	404	2	65	\$7	173	249	36	335	3815	318	353
4 Monroe	4	65		3		35	38	50	385	2660	203	282
5 New Orleans	14	385	15	95	2	430	567	30	391	4435	526	446
6 Ruston	6	173				30	30	56	496	5650	385	507
7 Shreveport	18	597	5	185	85	269	589	57	525	5350	222	351
Total	81	2219	\$43	\$375	\$94	\$1295	\$1863	343	3026	32674	2358	2673
Total Last Year	69	2071	85	160	17	2014	2254	324	2684	30270	1803	2493
Increase	12	147		215	77			19	342	2404	555	180
Decrease				42		719	491					

Table No. 11.—Epworth Leagues and Sunday Schools.

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Training Classes	Wesley Bible Classes	Sunday School Pupils Received into the Church	Missions on Assessment	Missions Special	Children's Day	Sunday School Supplies	Other Objects	Total from Sunday School	Total from Sunday School and Epworth League	Less Amount Elsewhere Reported	Net Total Table No. 2	Total from Table No. 1	Total, Tables 1 and 2
1	2	18				\$20		\$ 20	\$ 20		\$ 20	\$ 15	\$ 35
1	5	5			\$10	82	\$233	315	315		315	375	690
2	1	1				100		110	110		110	1592	1702
4	1	1				50	47	97	97	\$47	50	137	187
4	1	1				40	56	96	99	41	58	20	78
1	1	1				65	75	140	140	75	65		65
	1	7			5	96	196	297	303	191	112	5886	5998
		15	\$12			45	41	86	86	41	45	525	570
		2				108	70	190		82	108	460	568
		2	10			107	41	148	148	41	107	79	186
1	3	10			7	117	122	256	256	122	134	1511	1645
1	1	12	10	\$110	12	133	120	385	385	120	265	3453	3718
1	4	6	15		6	80	66	149	161	66	95	112	207
1	3	30			6	229	280	511	640	380	260	1238	1498
1	3	12			6	125	21	167	167	35	131	78	209
1	3	16			6	57		57	57		57	269	326
1	3	16			6	316	325	697		325	372	4754	5126
1	3	16			6	55	18	75	75		57	225	282
1	3	16			6	58	39	106	106	39	67	229	296
1	3	16			6	97	47	172	172		108	196	304
4	28	173	\$47	\$283	\$87	\$1980	\$1797	\$4194	\$3337	\$1688	\$2536	\$21154	\$23690
3	11	195	75	98	88	1885	1143	3290	3290	759	2531	8932	11463
1	17			185		105	654	904	47	929	5	12222	12227
		22	28		1								

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3	11	\$10	\$1	\$8	\$55		\$74	\$74	\$10	\$64	\$60	\$124	1
2	3				10		10	10		10	55	65	2
	6			7	75	\$ 5	87	97		97	95	192	3
3	3				75	48	123	123		123	116	239	4
	7	7	25	12	189	153	391	426	165	261	1437	1698	5
2	4	7		8	23	101	139	139	80	59	261	320	6
3	25	22			150	106	278	278	97	181	4578	4759	7
	2				10	16	26	26	16	10		10	8
1	36	33		6	100	91	234	244	124	120	838	958	9
1	3	12			63	73	148	148	85	63	1215	1278	10
1	3	29	135	8	269	397	809	892	214	678	3080	3758	11
2	2	2		2	109	82	193	193	82	111	183	294	12
		22			200	59	281	281	81	200	8	208	13
1	20	20		3	15	30	68	68	20	48	200	348	14
	3			9	35	81	125	125	81	44	1518	1562	15
	2				100	237	337	353	86	267	314	581	16
1	5	40	98	48	669	1182	1997	2307	127	2180	69455	71635	17
	3	10	50	9	188	85	335	415	143	272	5797	6069	18
		7			123	8	131	141	18	123	996	1119	19
					60	36	96	96	36	50	388	438	20
					55	11	66	66	11	55	350	405	21
2	1				135	15	150	155	15	140	1064	1204	22
1	1	10	37	8	106	27	178	178	59	118	238	326	23
16	33	218	\$355	\$124	\$128	\$2814	\$2851	\$6276	\$6835	\$1550	\$5274	\$92316	\$97590
4	24	284	130	47	44	2867	1871	5478	6095	1210	5211	23736	28947
12	9		225	87	84		980	798	740	340	63	68580	68643
		66				53							

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8	42	190	\$245	\$119	\$154	\$2437	\$1633	\$4551	\$4737	\$1333	\$3454	\$14203	\$17657	1
8	46	155	104	175	66	2378	1212	3665	3247	794	3072	6922	9994	2
7	26	123	188	177	88	1572	1679	3786	4030	999	3036	12094	15130	3
6	26	296	195	92	69	1745	1349	3429	3315	1079	2415	7646	10061	4
6	32	185	393	488	110	2691	1454	5126	5693	1174	4519	44912	49431	5
4	28	173	47	283	87	1980	1797	4194	3337	1688	2536	21154	23690	6
16	33	218	355	124	128	2814	2851	6276	6835	1550	5274	92316	97590	7
55	233	1290	\$1527	\$1456	\$702	\$15617	\$11975	\$31027	\$31194	\$8617	\$24306	\$199247	\$214553	
44	157	1196	1353	382	441	14004	7476	24902	26974	5275	22327	81540	103777	
11	76	94	174	1074	261	1613	4499	6124	4220	3342	2069	117707	110776	

Table No. III---Finance.
ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE	Presiding Elder Assessed	Presiding Elder Paid	Preacher in Charge Assessed	Preacher in Charge Paid	Bishops' Fund Assessed	Bishops' Fund Paid	Conference Claimants Assessed	Conference Claimants Paid	Foreign Missions Assessed	Foreign Missions Paid	Home and Conf. Mis- sions—Assessed	Home and Conf. Mis- sions Paid
1 Alexandria	\$360	\$360	\$2400	\$2400	\$26	\$26	\$115	\$115	\$157	\$157	\$206	\$206
2 Bon Ami	150	142	1000	950	8	3	31	4	45	5	58	7
3 Boyce	150	143	1000	957	8	8	33	33	48	48	62	62
4 Bunkie	152	152	1018	1018	12	12	49	49	69	69	90	74
5 Columbia	170	157	1130	1051	22	4	86	16	122	20	159	25
6 Colfax	107	107	718	718	9	5	34	27	50	15	65	17
7 Campti	102	90	685	601	11	5	40	23	57	35	75	55
8 De Ridder	150	136	1000	967	10	4	39	8	59	21	73	26
9 De Ridder Mission		41		276								
10 Elizabeth	78	64	600	421	5		20		29		38	
11 Glenmora	150	130	1000	870	7	3	27	7	39	10	51	5
12 Harrisonburg	60	25		176	3	2	13	5	19	7	25	8
13 Jena	165	114	1100	765	12	5	48	30	67	10	88	15
14 LeCompte	138	138	924	924	8	6	30	25	43	25	55	28
15 Longville					8		29		41		54	
16 Merryville	135	135		914	11	3	43	20	62	18	82	25
17 Melville				595	7		29		40		53	
18 Natchitoches	105	105	700	700	8	5	29	18	41	24	54	32
19 Oakdale	180	180	1200	1200	10	10	39	39	55	55	71	71
20 Opelousas	105	103	700	687	8	4	31	25	45	19	58	19
21 Ouachita Circuit												
22 Pineville	71	68	525	461	9	1	35	5	50		65	5
23 Pollock	90	72	600	484	9	1	33	2	47		61	2
24 Provincal	49	17	375	136	8		29		41		54	
25 Rapides Circuit	45	39	350	332	9	1	35	5	52	8	67	
26 Reeves and Oberlin	68	63	456	422	7	1	27	5	39	2	51	6
27 Selma	90	90	600	600	5	5	18	10	25	12	34	12
28 Standard	90	67	600	452	7	1	29	3	40		53	1
29 Trout and Goodpine	120	97	800	640	6	1	21	4	31	4	40	5
30 Woodworth	68	63	437	424	5		18		26		34	
Total	\$3148	\$2898	\$20818	\$20141	\$258	\$116	\$1000	\$478	\$1439	\$564	\$1876	\$706
Total Last Year	2443	2757	21053	18807	255	113	1007	459	1434	560	1877	620
Increase	705	141		1334	3	3		19	5	4		86
Decrease			222				7				1	

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1 Amite	\$180	\$124	\$1200	\$765	\$14	\$ 8	\$55	\$55	\$78	\$60	\$102	\$62
2 Baker	120	126	800	844	16	4	62	10	88	7	115	10
3 Baton Rouge: 1st Church	300	300	2000	2000	37	37	145	145	207	207	270	270
4 Keener Memorial	91	105	700	700	11	6	43	30	70	30	92	40
5 Clinton	90	68	600	459	6	3	24	23	34	19	44	27
6 Denham Springs	96	66	644	438	13	4	51	10	72	10	94	10
7 Franklinton and Zona	156	156	1044	1044	21	5	81	5	115	10	150	10
8 Franklinton Mission	88	72	590	531	11		43	12	61	5	80	5
9 Greenburg	96	76	619	511	18	5	70	4	100	8	130	
10 Gonzales	90	69	600	477	5	1	19	4	26	5	35	2
11 Hammond	112	82	750	547	12	2	46	12	65	10	85	8
12 Jackson & St. F'ville	135	97	560	784	12	5	46	18	66	18	86	23
13 Kentwood	120	91	800	545	13	2	50	10	70	14	92	14
14 Pine Grove	49	34	325	228	10	2	39	4	56		73	
15 Ponchatoula	120	107	800	717	12	10	46	35	66	38	86	38
16 Pride	63	68	422	459	12	4	48	14	68	17	89	22
17 Springfield	67	59	450	393	8	8	33	15	47	17	61	17
18 Tangipahoa	75	68	583	458	8		33		47		61	
19 Wilson	117	103	783	607	12	3	48	14	68	12	89	12
20 Zachary	109	109	731	735	13	13	49	40	70	35	92	40
Total	\$2274	\$1970	\$15338	\$13242	\$264	\$122	\$1031	\$460	\$1474	\$522	\$1926	\$610
Total Last Year	2400	1867	16139	12592	279	100	1209	355	1466	375	1912	462
Increase		103		650		22		105	8	147	14	148
Decrease	126		771		15		178					

Table No. III---Finance.

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Church Extension Assessed	Church Extension Paid	Education Assessed	Education Paid	Education Special	American Bible Society—Assessed	American Bible Society—Paid	Sunday School Field Secretary—Assessed	Sunday School Field Secretary—Paid	Superannuate End. Fund—Assessed	Superannuate End. Fund Paid	Ass'd for Minutes	Paid for Minutes	Paid For Orphanage	Incidental Expenses	Objects not elsewhere Reported	Total from Table II.	Grand Total for Year
\$95	\$95	\$184	\$184	\$50	\$11	\$11	\$45	\$106	\$20	\$20	\$8	\$8	\$132	\$916	\$542	\$1406	\$6734
27	4	54	6		3		15	9	5		2	1	98	100	75	66	1470
29	29	57	57	10	3		16	16	5		2	2	66	30	193	912	2581
42	22	82	82	10	3		24	20	8		5	5	110	74	329	2975	5022
73	129	147	24		3		41	8	14		6	6	115	140	292	1390	3256
30	12	59	15		3		17	10	6		2	2	78	38	39	666	1751
34	16	69	32		4		20	14	7		3	2		35	235	194	1339
31	6	67	15		4		19	19	7		3	2	140	120	2713	1101	5282
																20	337
17		34			2		10		4		1		20	45	48	460	1058
23	6	47	10		3		13	8	2		2		39	40	160	1164	2452
11	3	22	7		1	1	7	7	2		1	1	52			44	338
40	10	81	12		5	3	23	23	8		3	3	121	68	77	177	1433
25	25	50	25		3	2	14	5	5		2	2	45	36	90	490	1866
25		50			3		15		5								15
36	11	75	25		4	2	31	9	7		3	2	47	75	240	1076	2602
24		48			3		14		5		2		33	60		175	870
25	18	50	30		3	3	15	8	5		2		44	75	10	838	1910
33	33	65	65		4	4	18	15	7	7	3	3	140		165	862	2352
27	12	54	15		3	2	15	7	5		2	1	152	150		242	1449
																	21
30		60	2		4		17		6		3		32	25	170	197	966
33		65	2		3	1	15	1	6		2		19	35	66	220	905
25		50			3		15		5		2					225	378
31	1	62	1		4		18		6		3		9	10	176	240	822
23	2	47	4		3	1	13		5		2		39		44	2166	2755
16	5	31	12		2	1	9	3	3		1		28	32	297	165	1273
24		48			3	1	14		5		2	2		30	170	47	774
18	2	36	2		2		10	5	4		2		19		17	139	935
16		31			2		9		3		1		5				492
\$866	\$834	\$1717	\$627	\$70	\$103	\$16	\$492	\$296	\$173	\$42	\$22	\$37	\$1583	\$2185	\$6148	\$17657	\$53902
862	289	1282	437		93	51			176	16	75	45	1272	1152	2307	18307	47516
4	45	435	190	70	10		492	296		26			311	983	3841		6386
						5			3		3	8				650	

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\$47	\$39	\$ 93	\$56		\$5	\$4	\$19	\$12	\$ 9	\$9	\$1	\$3	\$115	\$312	\$374	\$1591	\$3589
53	5	105	10		6	2	21	18	11		5	2	27	20	100	219	1404
124	124	247	247	\$100	14	14	49	49	25		10	10	102		2404	1799	7836
42	20	84	25		5	2	17	8	8		3	1	32	176	40	1163	2388
21	11	41	21		2	1	8	5	4		2		52	10	77	329	1124
43	10	86	10		5	2	17	2	9		4		25	25	319	47	978
69	5	137	11		8	3	28		14		6	2	192	50	128	425	2046
37	2	73			4		15		7		3	1	21		171	292	1112
60		119			7		24	5	12		3		24		118	170	921
16	2	31	3		2	1	6	2	3		1	1		18	33	1064	1682
39	4	78	4		4		16	1	8	4	3	1	49		5	441	1170
29	5	79	9		5	2	16	4	8	2	4	2	38			190	134
42	5	84	5		5	5	17		8	2	3	4		90	51	567	1395
33		66			4		13		7		3	1	9			27	305
39	25	79	25		5	4	16		8		4	3	201	139	25	308	1680
41	12	81	20		5	2	16	3	8		2	1	37	10	85	85	839
28		56	10		3	2	11	5	6		2	1	21		63	481	1092
28		56			3		11		6		2		8		65	151	750
41	10	81			5		16		8		4		141	146	507	428	1983
42	5	84	12		5	5	17	17	8		4	4	182	75	141	283	1696
\$886	\$284	\$1760	\$478	\$100	\$102	\$49	\$253	\$131	\$177	\$17	\$72	\$37	\$1276	\$1071	\$4896	\$10004	\$35321
879	220	1308	324		97	45				35	74	36	831	1477	2219	9512	30939
7	64	452	154	100	5	4	253	131	177			1	445		2677	492	4389
										18	2			406			

LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE	Presiding Elder Assessed	Presiding Elder Paid	Preacher in Charge Assessed	Preacher in Charge Paid	Bishops' Fund Assessed	Bishops' Fund Paid	Conference Claimants Assessed	Conference Claimants Paid	Foreign Missions Assessed	Foreign Missions Paid	Home and Conf. Mis- sions—Assessed	Home and Conf. Mis- sions—Paid
1|Abbeville	\$127	\$117	\$850	\$ 186	\$ 7	\$ 1	\$28	\$ 3	\$ 40	\$ 2	\$ 52	\$ 2
2|Crowley	156	156	1200	1200	23	23	88	103	126	126	165	165
3|Eunice	120	97	800	655	13	8	46	20	66	15	87	15
4|Evangeline Mission	59	53	450	405	6	3	27	3	38	5	50	35
5|Franklin	180	180	1200	1200	17	3	67	30	94	25	122	35
6|French Mission												
7|Gueydan	97	81	657	550	7	2	28	7	39	6	52	10
8|Houma Mission	13	10	100	90	8	1	30	2	42	2	55	2
9|Indian Bayou	120	89	800	595	19	3	72	23	104	20	135	25
10|Jennings	60	5	400	175	6	5	28	20	40	6	52	
11|Lafayette	130	130	1000	1000	15	15	61	71	87	87	114	114
12|Lake Arthur	123	117	950	900	15	5	59	45	84	24	110	40
13|Lake Charles	240	240	1600	1600	31	31	122	65	174	92	228	135
14|Lafourche Mission		33			3		10		20		2	
15|Morgan City	150	150	1000	1000	17	14	63	61	89	74	117	14
16|New Iberia	180	171	1200	1135	17	10	67	59	96	82	124	65
17|Patterson & Jeanerette	135	112	900	788	13	5	49	10	70	10	91	10
18|Rayne	110	110	850	900	19	7	37	35	53	35	69	50
19|Sulphur and Vinton	105	114	700	766	10	4	39	17	56	21	73	32
20|St. Martinville					1		5		6		9	
Total	\$2105	\$1965	\$14657	\$13745	\$237	\$139	\$925	\$574	\$1324	\$632	\$1638	\$719
Total Last Year	2227	2090	14855	13568	248	101	978	449	1383	650	1814	659
Increase				177		38		125				60
Decrease	122	35	198		11		53		59	18	176	

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1	Bastrop and Collinston..	\$150	\$150	\$1000	\$1000	\$12	\$5	\$49	\$17	\$69	\$11	\$91	\$13
2	Bonita	120	90	800	603	8	3	30	11	43	25	56	25
3	Brooklyn	56	23	375	176	6	1	24	5	35	10	45	5
4	Calhoun	91	67	615	446	14	.....	55	2	79	4	103	4
5	Eros	124	99	820	672	15	1	57	10	81	10	105	10
6	Farmerville	137	86	715	580	7	2	26	2	37	5	48	5
7	Gilbert	117	117	800	800	12	10	47	40	67	38	87	41
8	Lake Providence	150	150	1000	1000	12	12	46	46	64	64	84	84
9	Mangham	150	150	1000	1000	10	10	40	53	57	10	75	40
10	Mer Rouge & Oak Ridge	187	188	1250	1326	16	10	62	45	88	88	115	115
11	Monroe	300	300	2000	2000	27	27	106	18	151	83	197	108
12	Oak Grove	135	117	900	782	12	12	49	20	70	20	91	6
13	Rayville	150	127	1000	849	11	3	41	41	58	20	76	22
14	Sicily Island	120	120	800	885	10	8	39	30	55	30	72	40
15	Tallulah	142	99	950	613	7	7	28	10	39	.....	51	10
16	Waterproof	120	120	800	800	10	8	38	37	54	30	71	30
17	West Monroe	123	115	825	768	7	5	28	22	40	20	53	35
18	Winnsboro	142	142	950	950	16	8	64	40	91	50	119	58
Total		\$2484	\$2260	\$16600	\$15255	\$212	\$132	\$829	\$449	\$1178	\$518	\$1539	\$651
Total Last Year		2354	1899	15586	12937	232	102	825	367	1132	432	1536	482
Increase		130	361	1014	2318		30	4	82	46	86	3	169
Decrease						20							

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LAFAYETTE DISTRICT.

Church Extension Assessed	Church Extension Paid	Education Assessed	Education Paid	Education Special	American Bible Society—Assessed	American Bible Society—Paid	Sunday School Field Secretary—Assessed	Sunday School Field Secretary—Paid	Superannuate End. Fund Assessed	Superannuate End. Fund Paid	Ass'd for Minutes	Paid for Minutes	Paid For Orphanage	Incidental Expenses	Objects not elsewhere Reported	Total from Table II.	Grand Total for Year
\$24		\$48	\$2		\$3	\$1	\$11		\$5		\$2	\$1	\$42		\$5	\$257	\$1219
76	\$76	151	131		9	9	33	\$30	15		1	1	49	\$170	93	3263	5601
40	12	78	12		3	3	17	6	8		3	3	53	59	170	593	1711
23	5	45	5		1	1	10		5		2	2	11	10	37	135	977
56	18	112	29	\$15	1	2	25		11		5	1	189	126		839	2681
24		47			12	1	10	4	5			1	66	75		374	1188
25	2	50	2	1	3	3	11		5		12	12	22	310	125	1285	1857
62	14	124	24		7	12	26	8	12		3	3	18	61		478	1363
24		46			3		10		6		2	2	29			104	349
52	52	104	104		6	6	22	22	10		4	4	130	84		686	2584
49	5	98	5		6	5	21		10		4	3	72	88	51	457	1817
104	65	208	115	325	12	7	44	23	21		8	8	184	559	1314	1142	5905
9		18			1		4		15		1				52	1135	1220
54	45	108	89		6	5	23	19	11		5	5	490	200	2100	1497	5860
57	28	114	50		7	4	26	34	11		5	4	75	235		442	2384
42	2	83	5		5	3	18		8		4		184	50	41	826	2052
32	25	64	50		4	3	13	13	6		3	3	115		50	545	1941
34	17	67	34	65	4	2	14		6		3	2	181	125	196	1110	2686
4		8			1		2		1		1						20
\$791	\$370	\$1573	\$655	\$406	\$94	\$57	\$339	\$177	\$161		\$68	\$44	\$1901	\$2143	\$4234	\$15159	\$43086
841	328	1242	486		98	49	339	177	167	\$47	71	43	1356	2757	1338	11990	36240
	42	321	169	406		6				47		1	545		2896	3169	6346
50					4				6		3			614			

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\$42	\$11	\$83	\$12		\$5	\$2	\$22	\$12	\$8	\$4	\$3	\$2	\$196	\$55	\$336	\$386	\$2212
26	10	51	19		2	1	13		5	2	2	2	105	40	736	567	2239
21	2	41	1		2	1	1	1	4	1	2	2	10	20	100	100	458
47	3	94	3		5	1	25	5	9		4		43		45	169	790
48	1	97	1		6		25		10		4		34	30	90	275	1183
22	3	44	3		1		11	1	4		1	67	74	33		96	966
40	15	89	25		5	5	21	1	8	8	3	3	286	50	1070	79	2588
39	39	78	78		5	5	21	21	8	8	3	3	168	224		567	2469
34		69	5	\$51	5		18		7	7	3	2	254	80	176	40	217
53	33	106	90		6	4	28	23	11	8	4	4	486	139	678	431	3675
90	90	180	118		10	10	48	26	18		8	8	351	927	91	1428	5585
42		83	10		5	5	22	6	8		3	3	84	318	131	1295	2819
35	30	70	40		4	2	19	4	7	7	3	1	122	57	78	576	1979
33	19	66	38		4	3	17	13	7		3	2	110	14	116	565	1993
23		47			3		12		5		2		125		57	134	1055
33		65	25		4	4	17	10	7		3	3	188	125	50	295	1726
24	24	48	24		3	3	13	11	5		2	2	203		172	675	2079
55	25	110	25	9	6	4	29	6	11		5	4	148	70	300	1662	3501
\$707	\$308	\$1412	\$517	\$60	\$83	\$51	\$371	\$143	\$142	\$45	\$59	\$42	\$2980	\$2223	\$4259	\$9659	\$39559
707	200	1053	330		79	36			142	21	59	28	2137	1290	2253	6617	29404
	108	359	187	60	4	15	371	143		24		14	843	933	2006	3042	10155

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\$57	\$10	\$122	\$45		\$6	\$1	\$23		\$11		\$5	\$4	\$30	\$275	\$400	\$775	\$2733
	8		10		3	1		3			2	1	5	290		321	1264
24	24	46	46		3	3	17	17	5	5	3		55		75	309	1266
30	15	59	5		4	1	17		5	5	3		15			201	1229
57	57	123	52		6	3	23		11	11	5	3	57	430	3100	391	5503
65	65	127	127	\$5	7	7	20	20	13	13	5	5	84	654		2599	5663
31	31	64	64		3	3	12	12	5		3	3	20	115	100	358	1752
52	52	103	103		6	6	23	23	11		4	4	167	260		7737	9843
101	101	202	202	525	11	11	44	44	23	23	9	9	487	1808	177	9715	15974
45	25	94	47		7	3	15	15	11	11	5		79	320	105	940	2745
61	61	120	120		7	7	28	28	12	12	6	6	85	240	75	1664	4191
118	118	241	241	58	13	13	59	59	25	25	10	10	176	1116	269	2234	27984
38	36	70	81		3	3	13	13	6	6	3	3	44	339	152	452	2007
8	7	10	10		1	1	2		2	2	2	2		25	450	117	640
7	7	10	10		1	1	2		2	2	2	2		13		268	330
25		36			2		8		4		1		100		125	312	1176
31	15	61	24		4	2	12	5	6		3	3	56	76	168	735	1890
25	3	36	5		2	1	8	3	4		1	1	12	50	30	196	718
\$773	\$635	\$1425	\$1194	\$625	\$86	\$67	\$326	\$244	\$156	\$115	\$69	\$56	\$1485	\$5989	\$5226	\$49431	\$87448
	493		752			62				84		46	941	5425	10118	16349	55447
	142		442			5				31		10	544	564		33082	32001

Table No. III--Finance.

RUSTON DISTRICT.

NAME OF CHARGE	Presiding Elder Assessed	Presiding Elder Paid	Preacher in Charge Assessed	Preacher in Charge Paid	Bishops' Fund Assessed	Bishops' Fund Paid	Conference Claimants Assessed	Conference Claimants Paid	Foreign Missions Assessed	Foreign Missions Paid	Home and Conf. Mis- sions—Assessed	Home and Conf. Mis- sions—Paid
1 Alberta	\$ 23	\$ 25	\$ 157	\$ 170	\$ 9	.....	\$ 40	.....	\$ 57	.....	\$ 75	.....
2 Arcadia	150	150	1000	1000	15	\$ 5	57	15	82	\$ 30	106	\$ 35
3 Athens	150	150	1000	1000	15	5	57	30	82	30	106	30
4 Bernice	91	94	609	627	17	3	47	20	65	20	85	25
5 Bienville	81	55	544	420	11	5	47	10	61	12	81	14
6 Cotton Valley	100	100	675	675	11	5	47	20	61	8	81	12
7 Dubach	130	125	870	836	15	11	57	45	82	63	106	82
8 Elmore	90	67	600	448	9	3	40	11	57	11	75	12
9 Gibbsland	100	94	700	661	15	4	57	20	82	31	106	43
10 Haughton	120	118	800	790	15	10	57	50	82	63	106	30
11 Haynesville	150	117	1000	782	17	8	65	38	94	45	107	52
12 Homer	210	210	1400	1400	18	18	80	80	114	114	150	150
13 Jonesboro	114	107	766	716	8	3	35	11	49	15	64	19
14 Minden	270	270	1800	1800	25	25	100	117	143	143	186	186
15 Plain Dealing	79	61	530	477	9	3	40	20	57	20	75	26
16 Ringgold	88	93	588	666	9	3	40	12	57	15	75	20
17 Ruston	300	300	2000	2000	34	13	132	62	187	70	245	100
18 Sibley	136	115	900	850	15	5	57	35	82	23	106	25
19 Simsboro	90	76	610	511	9	4	40	13	57	5	75	8
20 Winnfield	150	150	1000	1000	15	11	57	60	82	73	106	65
Total	\$2622	\$2477	\$16849	\$16830	\$291	\$141	\$1152	\$670	\$1633	\$788	\$2116	\$934
Total Last Year	2591	2219	16134	15495	281	141	1162	631	1633	721	2086	920
Increase	31	258	715	1335	10			39		67	30	14
Decrease							10					

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1 Anacoco	\$ 75	\$ 40	\$ 500	\$ 511	\$ 8	\$ 8	\$ 33	\$ 15	\$ 47	\$ 17	\$ 60	\$ 13
2 Bayou Lachute	150	150	1000	1000	8	8	32	63	45	80	59	85
3 Cedar Grove & L'street	105	99	700	661	11	3	43	18	61	17	78	26
4 Coushatta	105	98	700	677	14	7	53	17	76	17	97	17
5 Grand Cane	165	165	1100	1100	11	11	44	44	63	63	82	82
6 Greenwood	150	127	1000	853	13	.....	51	51	72	72	96	30
7 Ida	147	146	979	1002	10	10	40	40	57	57	71	71
8 Lake End	31	47	219	223	2	1	6	5	9	9	12	.....
9 Leesville	180	180	1200	1500	14	12	55	68	79	55	103	80
10 Logansport	90	90	600	725	8	8	32	12	45	12	60	12
11 Mansfield	347	337	2250	2250	23	23	91	91	130	130	170	190
12 Many	120	125	870	834	10	10	40	46	58	25	75	35
13 Mooringsport	150	150	1000	1000	10	3	40	25	56	17	74	24
14 Noble	90	90	600	600	7	7	30	30	42	42	54	54
15 Pelican	123	126	826	824	12	5	46	20	65	25	81	30
16 Pleasant Hill	111	111	744	744	11	5	42	45	58	24	77	35
17 Shreveport: 1st Church	630	630	4200	4200	50	50	197	350	279	400	367	442
18 Noel Memorial	270	280	1830	1800	17	17	68	68	96	96	127	127
19 Texas Avenue	120	106	800	713	8	6	33	25	46	20	61	45
20 Queensboro	108	79	720	579	6	4	23	20	34	17	45	20
21 South Mansfield	51	47	339	218	7	3	23	15	36	10	48	10
22 Vivian	150	111	1000	750	10	6	39	20	55	20	73	25
23 Zwolle	135	135	900	900	10	10	35	41	49	49	65	65
24 Blanchard	22	.....	150	.....	2	.....	7	.....	10	.....	14	.....
Total	\$3635	\$3469	\$24197	\$23655	\$282	\$217	\$1103	\$1076	\$1568	\$1214	\$2049	\$1518
Total Last Year	3152	2219	22025	20907	256	181	1082	863	1439	939	1850	1181
Increase	483	1250	2172	2748	36	36	21	213	138	275	199	337
Decrease												

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1 Alexandria	\$3148	\$2898	\$20818	\$20141	\$258	\$116	\$1000	\$478	\$1439	\$564	\$1876	\$706
2 Baton Rouge	2274	1973	15368	12242	264	122	1031	460	1479	522	1926	610
3 Lafayette	2105	1965	14657	13745	237	139	925	574	1324	632	1638	719
4 Monroe	2484	2260	16600	15255	212	132	829	449	1178	518	1539	651
5 New Orleans	2751	2712	16189	16179	224	194	797	751	1277	1100	1684	1345
6 Ruston	2622	2477	16849	16830	291	141	1152	670	1633	788	2116	934
7 Shreveport	3635	3469	24197	23655	282	217	1104	1026	1568	1274	2049	1518
Total	\$19019	\$17751	\$124678	\$119047	\$1768	\$1061	\$6838	\$4508	\$9898	\$5393	\$12828	\$6483
Total Last Year	17897	16247	120905	109226	1783	886	7170	3831	9770	4589	12760	5536
Increase	1222	1504	3773	9821		175		677		804	68	947
Decrease					15		232		128			

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RUSTON DISTRICT.

Church Extension Assessed	Church Extension Paid	Education Assessed	Education Paid	Education Special	American Bible Society--Assessed	American Bible Society--Paid	Sunday School Field Secretary--Assessed	Sunday School Field Secretary--Paid	Superannuate End. Fund Assessed	Superannuate End. Fund Paid	Ass'd for Minutes	Paid for Minutes	Paid For Orphanage	Incidental Expenses	Objects not elsewhere Reported	Total from Table II.	Grand Total for Year
\$34	...	\$68	...	...	\$4	...	...	...	7	...	\$3	...	...	...	\$86	\$ 35	\$ 310
49	\$25	98	\$25	...	...	...	20	15	10	...	4	...	\$203	...	...	690	2263
49	20	98	20	...	...	...	12	7	10	...	4	...	72	60	...	1702	3432
39	15	78	25	...	...	...	12	7	8	...	3	1	147	54	350	187	1577
38	7	73	13	...	...	...	10	2	...	...	3	1	41	30	120	78	816
38	...	73	15	...	...	...	12	...	7	...	3	1	75	...	...	65	987
49	37	98	76	...	...	...	17	17	10	...	4	...	214	64	...	5998	7658
34	8	68	11	...	...	...	17	...	7	...	4	...	41	...	...	570	1186
19	16	38	30	...	...	...	14	...	10	...	4	...	138	33	47	568	1696
49	40	98	21	...	...	...	16	...	10	...	4	...	184	65	33	1645	3960
56	25	112	53	...	...	...	20	13	11	...	5	3	70	32	19	186	1438
68	68	136	136	211	...	...	28	...	14	14	6	6	110	481	...	3718	6724
30	8	58	17	...	...	...	15	...	7	...	3	1	113	25	206	207	1456
85	85	170	170	940	...	...	36	42	17	...	7	7	946	269	58	1498	6726
34	10	68	25	...	...	...	10	4	7	...	3	2	37	50	100	209	1048
34	10	68	19	...	...	...	12	...	7	...	3	3	36	...	58	326	1263
113	40	224	110	100	12	3	40	3	23	...	9	3	741	375	632	5126	9649
49	24	98	35	...	...	...	18	...	7	...	4	4	41	75	...	282	1523
34	3	68	9	...	...	...	12	...	7	...	3	3	39	35	...	296	1004
49	35	98	71	...	...	...	20	12	10	...	4	3	137	180	140	304	2261
\$931	\$476	\$1950	\$881	\$1251	\$105	\$62	\$344	\$130	\$196	\$28	\$82	\$53	\$3355	\$1900	\$2204	\$23690	\$56077
976	336	1464	628	1251	105	67	...	...	198	32	82	53	2486	1304	1848	11404	38945
...	140	486	253	...	...	...	344	130	...	6	...	...	869	596	356	12286	17132
45	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

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\$28	\$ 8	\$57	\$ 9	...	\$3	\$1	\$10	\$10	\$7	...	\$2	\$1	\$ 13	\$25	\$204	\$124	\$ 801
28	40	55	72	125	3	3	23	23	5	5	2	2	252	5	271	65	2246
35	23	72	11	...	4	1	14	2	7	...	3	3	98	43	215	192	1414
45	11	90	17	10	4	3	17	7	8	...	3	2	76	61	249	239	1569
38	38	75	75	...	4	4	23	23	8	...	3	3	165	198	235	1698	3912
44	20	87	36	...	5	5	22	14	8	...	4	4	85	...	7010	320	8635
25	25	69	69	...	4	4	18	18	7	...	3	3	75	52	288	4759	6626
5	3	11	5	...	1	1	8	...	1	...	1	2	19	...	69	10	494
48	48	94	65	...	5	5	28	48	10	...	4	3	91	290	670	958	4673
27	12	55	20	...	3	3	14	14	5	12	3	...	58	...	8	1278	2264
80	80	156	150	950	9	9	46	46	16	16	6	6	401	249	1291	3758	9968
37	25	70	22	...	4	4	20	20	6	...	3	2	82	50	69	294	1644
34	11	68	22	...	4	1	22	...	7	...	3	1	77	43	...	208	1582
26	26	51	51	...	3	3	10	10	5	...	2	2	26	...	235	348	1523
39	39	79	39	...	5	5	17	5	8	...	3	3	81	50	56	1562	2861
35	12	71	25	...	4	2	19	...	7	...	3	2	100	80	65	581	1831
170	274	335	335	3600	19	19	83	83	34	...	14	14	1251	2538	2951	71635	88769
58	58	116	116	...	7	7	34	34	12	12	5	5	210	1274	1715	6069	11888
28	25	55	10	5	3	2	16	...	6	2	2	2	8	...	...	1119	2190
21	10	40	23	...	2	1	13	7	4	...	2	1	36	34	224	438	1484
21	5	40	15	...	3	2	7	...	4	...	2	2	14	...	200	405	1046
34	20	56	15	...	4	2	23	8	7	...	2	2	38	32	...	1204	2274
30	30	59	59	...	4	4	20	20	6	...	2	2	79	57	136	326	1913
6	...	12	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...
\$940	\$834	\$1873	\$1261	\$4690	\$108	\$91	\$507	\$392	\$189	\$75	\$79	\$70	\$3329	\$5183	\$6161	\$97590	\$69947
862	560	1273	956	...	76	80	...	...	58	55	54	59	4703	1738	12796	28690	80605
78	274	660	325	4690	32	11	507	392	131	20	25	11	...	415	2365	68900	80342
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1374	...	...	...	...

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\$866	\$334	\$1717	\$627	\$70	\$103	\$46	\$492	\$296	\$173	\$42	\$72	\$37	\$1583	\$2135	\$6118	\$17657	\$53902
886	284	1760	478	100	102	49	253	131	177	17	72	37	1276	1071	4896	9994	35311
791	370	1573	655	406	94	57	339	156	161	...	68	44	1901	2143	4234	15159	43086
707	308	1412	517	60	83	51	371	143	142	45	59	42	2980	4223	1259	9659	39559
773	635	1425	1192	625	86	67	326	244	159	115	69	56	1485	5989	5226	49431	87448
980	476	1950	881	1251	105	62	344	130	196	28	82	53	3355	1900	2204	23690	56077
934	834	1860	1261	4690	107	91	507	392	188	75	78	70	3329	5183	6161	97590	169947
\$5937	\$3241	\$11750	\$5611	\$7202	\$680	\$423	\$2639	\$1492	\$1196	\$222	\$500	\$339	\$15909	\$20644	\$43128	\$223180	\$76280
5902	2426	8774	3903	...	634	390	...	...	904	290	480	310	13726	18143	32879	102869	319096
35	815	2976	1708	...	46	33	...	...	292	32	...	29	2183	2501	10249	20312	57184

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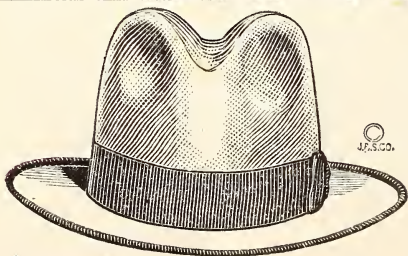
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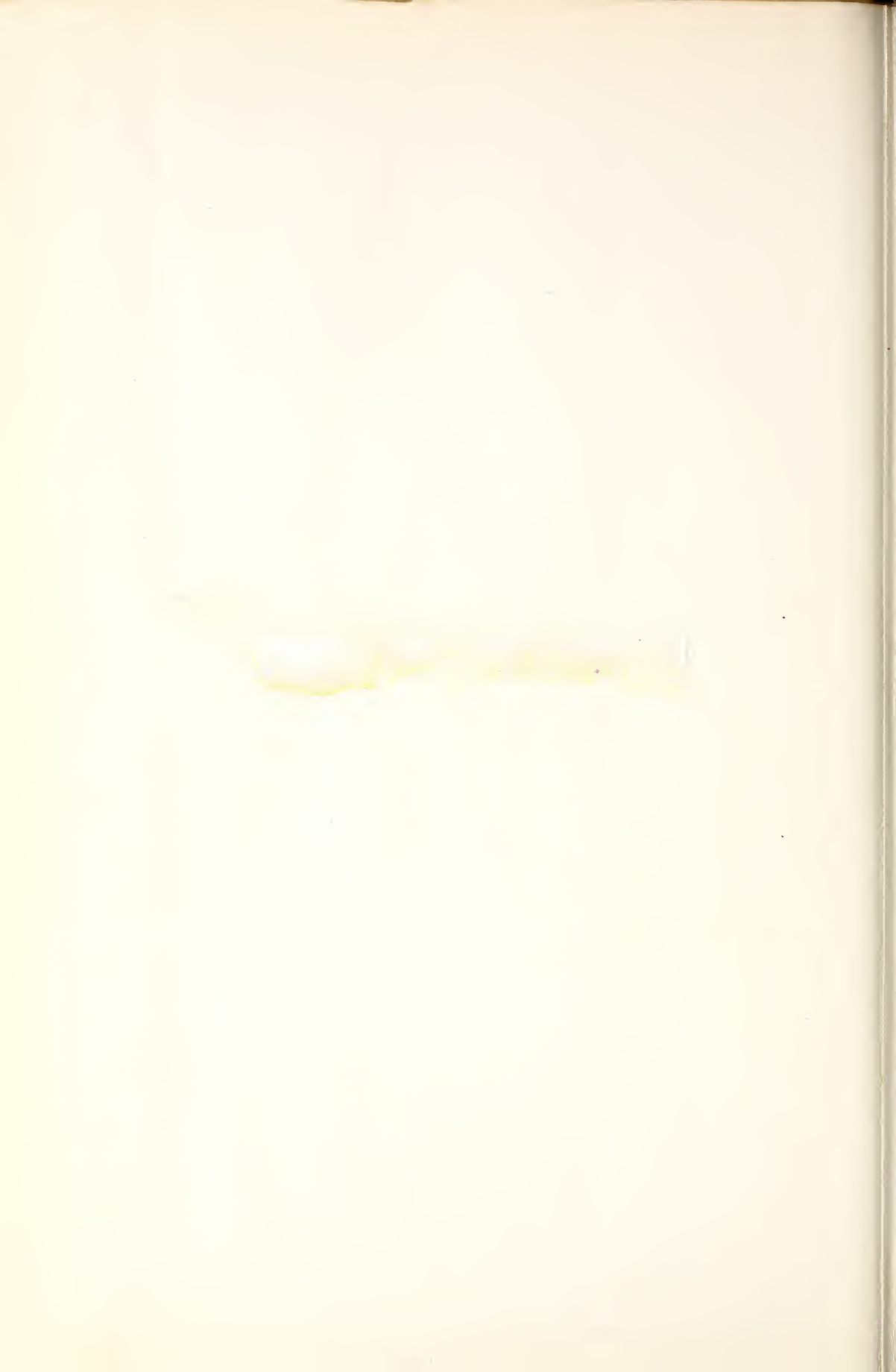
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